

THE OPPORTUNITY OF OUR COUNTY

"It is the exception that proves the rule." This is a very wise old adage. In its application to the various activities of the well-known human race, it has, of course, this meaning: If a course of action is noted by observers as exceptional, this is proof in itself that the opposite course of action is the rule.

It has always been the rule that municipalities of high and low degree, when first entering upon a new line of material development, have adopted improper methods and chosen inferior materials. You may go into any community and its "boosters" will first boast of its accomplishments. Then if you will manifest the proper degree of sympathetic interest, the same "boosters" will relate to you a long list of costly and humiliating mistakes that their community has made in its past development activities. You will find that their present improvement program consist mainly of correcting past errors. And if you will inquire closely into the causes of the mistakes that were made, you will secure the admission that those mistakes were all nearly due to their neglect to inform themselves of the experience of other communities which, being much further along in their development, had already made and corrected their own mistakes.

In short, it has always been the habit and the rule for communities and individuals as well to bungle along and insist upon purchasing their experience by their own mistakes, when it could just as well be secured free of cost by observing the experience of others. There are exceptional individuals and communities that have that rare faculty sometimes called "common sense" which permits them to accept and apply for their own uses the mistakes and experiences of others. Such exceptional individuals are known as successful, and such exceptional communities are known as enterprising and progressive.

Now, wherein does this commonplace have bearing upon Mississippi County as regards to her road development activities? It is that it begins to look as if Mississippi County, among all the other agricultural counties of Missouri, is going to be the exceptional one that accepts and applies to its own uses the experience of sections many years farther advanced in road development. It begins to look as if Mississippi County will build all her State-ad roads of a permanent type of material—that is to say, concrete. There seems to be no further arguments required to convince our people of the desirability of adopting a rigid-surfaced road. But inasmuch as the task of financing the costlier road require great effort, it should be made clear why such effort is worth while.

There is a strong reason why we should spare no exertion in financing a State road that has not yet been given the publicity that it deserves. It is this: At the general election next November there will be voted upon, a Constitutional amendment framed to permit the State of Missouri to make a bond issue of \$60,000,000 for road building. These bonds will be carried and retired by the auto-

mobile tax alone. In other states, such bond issues have been extremely popular. No state has ever failed to vote favorably upon the amendment required to permit a State road-bond issue based upon the automobile license tax. It is regarded as certain in all quarters of the State that Missouri will carry this amendment. A State-wide campaign will precede the election. Now this road fund created by the bond issue is to be used for building the State roads of Missouri. There is in the amendment enabling the bond issue the provision that those counties which have already constructed their State roads of a permanent material will receive back every cent they have expended upon them. The justice of this provision is clear because without it the enterprising counties which have already built their State roads of permanent material would not participate in the benefits of the bond issue.

Now let us see what will be Mississippi County's situation following the passage of the State bond issue: If present indications are reliable, within sixty to one hundred and twenty days, Mississippi County will have let the contract for from forty-five to fifty miles of concrete road, costing approximately, \$1,300,000. This money will be regarded as spent when the contracts are let. Of this amount, around \$600,000 will be local money from county bond issue, special road district bond issue and subscription. This amount will be returned to the county for expenditure upon other roads. Thus we are going to have available for use just as rapidly as we can secure construction in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000. This is no mean sum of money for road building, and it has been made possible to get it by reason of the wise administration of our very modest county bond issue of \$375,000.

It will be especially fortunate for the future road development of the county to secure this large sum which will be returned to the county as payment by the State for the roads constructed or contracted because the great advance since voting our county bonds in costs of materials and labor have made it impossible to build the extensive road system contemplated at the time of voting the bond issue. A number of localities in the county which it was expected would receive roads could not now possibly be served by the original issue, except through this refund which will come by reason of our policy of choosing cement construction of our State highways.

This refund of \$600,000 or more may be used in constructing county roads, as further State money will be used to complete the State road to Dorena. All this looks a little too good to be true, but the situation is just as stated, and the dream will come true in a perfectly orderly and commonplace manner if we preserve in our determination to build hard-surfaced roads.—Charleston Enterprise-Courier.

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FAME IN HOG SALES HERE

Kansas City Established A World's
Purebred Market.

Kansas City established itself as the purebred hog market of the world in two sales yesterday in which 101 sows and four young boars sold for \$199,319 in auction sessions that lasted only seven hours. Lester H. Glover's Fashion Girl, the dam of Liberator, his world's champion Poland China boar, selling at \$17,200 almost trebling the former record mark of \$6,100 for a sow. Last night the Winn & Moore herd stepped into fame when fifty-one sows averaged \$1,437 and Model Giantess sold at \$11,300 to Calvert Brothers of Rockfield, Ind.

Mr. Glover's herd also set a record when thirty-six sows brought \$112,032. Eight head of uncatalogued stock were added when afternoon buyers demanded more of the fancy stock and four young boars averaging only about \$500 and four purebred sows added \$14,000 more. Mr. Glover's hogs brought \$126,032 at an average of \$3,112.

F. R. McDermand, a hog and cattle powder manufacturer, entered the ranks of fancy pork breeders by buying Fashion Girl at the record price and following that purchase by buying another Glover sow at \$5,000. Until Winn & Moore's Model Giantess brought \$11,300 at night, Mr. McDermand had set the two high prices of the day.

With a herd such as he is starting, Kansas City now can claim to be the center of Poland China aristocracy. In the few years the way men here have established stock farms for purebred hogs, the results already have been sufficient to attract the breeders of America to sales here. The Glover farm is the home of Liberator, son of Fashion Girl by The Clansman. The record sow again is bred to The Clansman and the second sow to Liberator. The latter boar is unprired, but his full brother sold recently for \$30,000.

"But what is the basis of such prices for hogs?" was the question more than answered at the dinner in the Hoof and Horn Club to breeders from every state. "Where is the return from such investment to come from?"

As to the first, breeders of hogs everywhere agree that the brood sow and sire must be perfected to improve the hog in quality and quantity of meat. Better quality and greater weight in the shortest time on the least feed must result.

C. H. Walker, publisher of the Poland China Journal, read from a report showing a purebred sire will put 5,000 pounds more edible pork on a herd of one hundred pigs than a common sire.

"By that statement alone," Frank D. Winn, a pioneer breeder and part owner of a famous herd of hogs, explained, "the scale of prices for purebred stock is justified. The farmers must produce more meat. They can-

not do it with scrub herds, for only by real breeding can the output be increased."—K. C. Star.

Man Loses Hundreds of Dollars

"I am sorry I did not hear of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy a few years ago, as it would have saved me several hundred dollars. Five years I suffered from indigestion and severe bloating. I grew worse all the time. My doctor said an operation would be all that could save me. I took a course of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy instead and after the past year have been entirely well." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded.—Hess & Smith, Druggists and Druggists Everywhere.

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W. W. Griffen, president of the California Association Raisin Co., recently announced that the 1919 raisin crop was worth \$40,000,000, the largest return ever made.

Notice—We have a cot stretcher that may be used free of charge by those who have to be taken to a hospital. All we ask is the prompt return of same after using it.—H. J. Welsh, Farmers Supply Co.

BETTER SIRES LEAD RAPIDLY TO IMPROVE FEMALE STOCK

Enrollments Furnish Striking Facts
About Breeding.

That the use of purebred sires is usually a forerunner to ownership of wellbred live stock in the various classes and breeds is shown by data on breeding just made public by the Bureau of Animal Industry, United States Department of Agriculture. The facts and figures compiled are based on records of the "Better Sires—Better Stock" campaign, which at the close of 1919 had been in progress just three months. A greater quantity of data will be needed before conclusive deductions may be made, but the following facts are considered of unusual interest to live-stock owners:

The use of pure-bred sires appears to lead automatically to the ownership of a considerable quantity of purebred female stock.

The use of purebred sires apparently results also in the culling out of scrub females, judging from the small proportion of scrub females to grade, crossbred and purebred female animals owned by purebred-sire users.

Of all female stock owned by persons enrolled in the better-sires campaign at the end of the year, 71 per cent were purebred, 26 per cent were grades and crossbreds, and 3 per cent were scrubs.

The scrub females are believed to be the remnants of former inferior stock before purebred sires were used, since purebred sires lead automatically to either purebred, crossbred, or grade off-spring, depending on the blood lines of the females used.

When Women Defeated The President

Ordinarily the social battles of the Administration Women—those dictators of social life in Washington—are looked upon as beneath the consideration of dignified politics, but there is at least one case in which the women defeated the President of the United States in a pitched battle, and seriously injured his national influence. Andrew Jackson was the old Indian fighter who went down to defeat the cabinet ladies because he dared espouse the cause of the beautiful Peggy O'Neil, one time waitress, who had married a member of Jackson's cabinet.

The memory of the tragic death of his own wife—a death brought on by the shameful attacks of the opposition press—no doubt influenced Old Hickory in his stand, but despite his ultimatum to the members of his cabinet that their political fortunes depended upon their wives' recognition of his protegee, the women were obdurate in their refusal to accept the daughter of a tavern-keeper as their social equal and were in the end victorious.

Cakes.—The Arcade.

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Possibly the census-taker's job would be simplified if they would first tabulate the Presidential possibilities and then count what few of us remain.—Literary Digest.

DEMOCRATS AT JEFFERSON CITY

Jefferson City Democrat-News.

Political history was made at the meeting of the Democratic State Committee yesterday afternoon when it was decided by the committee without a dissenting vote that Democratic women of Missouri shall be delegates to the state convention at Joplin, Wednesday, March 31, and have equal representation with men.

The committee announcement of this action was greeted by considerable applause by the women present who showed they were more than pleased with this progressive movement of the Democratic committee, which has ever been friendly to the cause of equal suffrage both in the state and nation.

The only "flare up" in the meeting came when R. Emmet O'Malley, of Kansas City, a political portage of Senator James A. Reed, again "bobbed up" before the committee with his usual resolution to eliminate the endorsement of the League of Nations from the resolutions presented by the meeting by Representative Frank H. Faris who was chairman of the resolutions committee.

The O'Malley resolution followed a presentation of the resolutions endorsing the administration of President Wilson, the League of Nations and the State administration under the guidance of Governor Frederick D. Gardner and his Democratic associates, Attorney General Frank W. McAllister, Treasurer George H. Middlekamp and Secretary of State John L. Sullivan.

After making his motion, which failed of a second, O'Malley called on Judge Casimir J. Welch, who was sitting in the meeting with a proxy from Joseph B. Shannon saying, "I will ask my colleague from Jackson County, Judge Welch to second this motion." The room was quiet for a moment. Senator Mike Kinney asked for information regarding the reference of O'Malley resolution to the resolutions committee.

O'Malley again called on Judge Welch who replied, "I understand the request of Mr. O'Malley, but I refuse to consider it."

Not to be deterred by his defeat by a unanimous vote of the committee Mr. O'Malley then adopted the dilatory tactics of Senator Reed by offering a resolution for an endorsement of the League of Nations for the sole purpose of attempting to cause trouble if possible. This, like the first, died because there was no member of the committee to second his motion for its adoption.

Committee members after the meeting expressed themselves with the resolutions but said they had probably "not gone far enough on the League of Nations by their failure to pass a set of resolutions strongly condemning the action of Senator Reed."

In the selection of a time and place for holding the convention there was never a contest. What was expected to be a contest for the convention on part of Jefferson City business men dwindled down to two or three and Joplin was named as the place.

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A Bit of History

Charles H. Kew, one of our pioneer citizens, a surveyor by profession, and knowing well the danger of fire, theft and mutilation incident to the land records in pioneer days, and desiring to help preserve intact the land titles, began in the early '50s the compilation of a set of Abstract Books to the lands and town lots of Scott County.

Later years proved the wisdom of his forethought. The soldiers during the Civil War raided the Court House and destroyed one of the land books completely and partially destroyed another, thereby (in-so-far as the records themselves show) breaking the chain of title to much of our lands.

Time has made the books made by Mr. Kew priceless. The work SHOWS IN FULL ABSTRACTED FORM ALL THE DEEDS WHICH WERE OF RECORD AND DESTROYED DURING THE WAR, and have in cases too numerous to mention been the means of saving the land owners the cost of bringing an action to Quiet Title, to say nothing concerning the delays and trouble over contesting claimants.

Mr. Kew practiced the profession of making abstracts until 1882, when his books were acquired by the late Joseph H. Moore, who later entered into a co-partnership with the late V. L. Harris under the style of MOORE-HARRIS ABSTRACT COMPANY under which it was incorporated in 1917 and under which name it continues to make Abstracts.

The "Kew Abstract Books" as they are known are now in our possession, and owing to the fact that they constitute the ONLY complete record the land owners have, then the MOORE-HARRIS ABSTRACT COMPANY have and are the only ones who can have a COMPLETE set of Abstract Books in Scott County.

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SIKESTON STANDARD

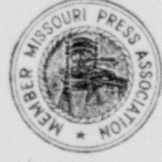
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CHARLESTON WINS SIKESTON WINS

Last Friday evening our oldtime rivals, the Charleston Blue Jays, journeyed to Skeston to try their luck against the Skeston basketball team. Both boys' and girls' teams came loaded with their usual amount of confidence and determination to wallop the home teams. It was an even break—the Skeston boys winning and the Charleston girls at the long end of the score.

The girls game came first and proved very one-sided. The Skeston girls were unable to cope with their faster and more experienced rivals. The final score being 50 to 6.

Miss Davis was the high point getter for the visitors, with a total of 29 points. Miss Joslyn was next in line with 21 points.

Ruth DeWitt with 4 points and Cozette Stone with 2 were the Skeston scorers.

Although easily outclassed, the Skeston girls displayed much improvement. Their team-work and handling of the ball was much better than shown before. The defeat should only spur them on to greater efforts and hold up our tradition that we might be down but never out.

The line-up:
Skeston: Forwards, Ruth DeWitt, Cozette Stone, centers, Mildred Bowman, Kathryn Jewell, guards, Rosa Moser, Evelyn Sutton and Marguerite Atkinson.

The boys game opened up fast and furious. For a while neither side counted, the guarding being exceptionally close. Presnell, of Charleston, started the scoring with a field goal. The Skeston lads woke up and started things. The half ended 10 to 6, with the home boys at the long end.

In the second half, Charleston was able to count but 5 points and the game ended 24 to 11, favor of Skeston. Capt. Paul Gilbert, at center and Lewis Baker, forward, tied for the scoring honors with 10 a piece; Baker counting four out of five trials for three throws. Fred Allard followed with four points.

Presnell led Charleston with a total of four; Capt. Lair, 3 and Lynch and Farris, 2 each.

Woodard Baker, until ruled out with four personal fouls, gave a pretty exhibition of guarding and was probably the outstanding player of either team. Excellent guarding held Charleston's score down considerably.

Lair, Capt., was the visitors outstanding player. He handled the ball nicely and his good floor work started many a Charleston rally.

Both teams were shooting poorly. The home quintet although showing a marked improvement in team work, seemed to have lost the art of caging the leather in comparison with their previous form. The Charleston lads, although handicapped by the small court, missed inexcusable shots.

Harry Dudley refereed both games, and considering the conditions under which he worked, his refereeing was very commendable.

The line-up:
Skeston: P. Gilbert, (Capt.); L. E. Baker, forward; Allard, forward; W. Baker, guard; Malcolm, guard; N. Gilbert, guard; Potashnick, guard.

Charleston:
Farris, center; Lair (Capt.), Forward; Presnell, forward; Rowe, guard;

Lynch, guard; Jenkins, guard; Ponder, guard.

Mrs. John Chaney and Miss Marie left Sunday night for a few days shopping in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman went to St. Louis Friday night, where Mrs. Denman entered a hospital for an operation.

Should there be any person or family that have been missed by the census enumerator, it is requested that they notify J. A. Barber.

The editor of The Standard returned home Sunday evening from a trip to Jefferson City and other points, and will have a few observations in the Friday's issue.

The young high school girls, who are members of the first year class in Domestic Science, entertained the members of the School Board at dinner Friday evening.

Word was received here Monday afternoon of the death of Mrs. David Mann, which occurred at her home in New Madrid at six o'clock Monday morning. Death came after a three weeks illness of influenza. Mrs. Mann was one of the most prominent women of New Madrid and well known throughout Southeast Missouri.

W. H. Sikes went to Kentucky last week to attend a sale of pure-bred Duroc hogs held by one of Kentucky's most famous breeders, and purchased two of the best animals offered at this sale. Before enlisting in the army Bill had one of the finest herd of Durocs to be found in the State of Missouri. He is again determined to be numbered among the breeders of fine hogs and means to have a herd of even better blood than his former herd.

Last Friday night at Hot Springs, Ark., Otis Bryant of Skeston, hooked up in a ten-round bout with Young Fitzsimmons, and at the end of the tenth round, the referee gave the decision as a draw. The first five rounds showed that they were very equally matched with no advantage either way. The sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth rounds were clearly Bryant's, while the tenth round was in favor of Fitzsimmons. In the seventh, Bryant hit Fitzsimmons a powerful blow that staggered him, but that was all. After the bout, Otis didn't have a bruise or scratch, while his opponent showed the punishment that he received.

The latter part of the week Otis will go to Miami, Fla., where he is scheduled for an exhibition on the 14th, after which he will go to Oklahoma City, the home of Fitzsimmons, where he hopes to meet that pugilist again.



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Mrs. Margaret Ashley of Cairo visited relatives in this city the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Willis Guess went Friday morning to care for the family of Will Guess, who are seriously ill.

Mrs. Edward Mitchell and children went to Oran Sunday for a week's visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Lucy Vaughn and Miss Lora McCord of Oran spent the week end with relatives and friends in this city. Found on New Madrid St. Friday afternoon—a door key. Finder can have same by calling at Standard office and paying for this notice.

Mrs. Frank Shoen, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Meiderhoff for about five weeks returned Friday to her home in Texarkana, Ark.

Miss Gella Weir returned Friday, to her home in Hot Springs, Ark., after an extended visit in this city with her cousins, Misses Oma and Fern Scott.

Flu conditions in New Madrid continue to be most alarming and the citizens try to take every precaution, it seems impossible to check the spread of the epidemic. The situation in Skeston is far from serious altho' occasional new cases are developing. While there are some few cases of smallpox, the quarantine rules are observed so carefully that few fear a spread of the disease.

J. R. Thornton, fiscal agent of the American Potato Harvester Company Inc., of Cape Girardeau, was a visitor in this city Monday. Mr. Thornton expects to return in the course ten days to start an advertising campaign to sell stock in this company. The factory of the American Potato Harvester will be located in Cape Girardeau. The minimum output per annum is expected to be about one thousand machines.

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DEMOCRATS AT JEFFERSON CITY

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James E. Boggs, member of the committee from this district, presented the claims of Jefferson City although he long before realized Joplin had the convention and gone with it. Judge Haywood Scott presented Joplin's claim by declaring that city "has always brought good luck to Democracy." He recited the successful campaigns of 1912 and 1916 when the convention and a campaign opening respectively were held in the city "built by jack," and presented and offer from the Joplin Chamber of Commerce of \$1,000 and hotel accommodations for members of the committee. His offer was accompanied by a check certified for the amount which was turned over to Treasurer James E. Cox of the committee.

Mayor Jesse Osborn, Mrs. Emily Newell Blair, Mrs. C. C. Cummings and Mrs. Chloe Scholes Miller joined in the invitation to the metropolis of Missouri's prosperous zinc mining district.

Following the public meeting the committee went into executive session and designated Governor Frederick D. Gardner as temporary chairman of the convention and Secretary J. L. Shepherd of the committee as temporary secretary.

The convention call adopted by the committee provides for one delegate for each 250 votes cast for president in 1916, and for each fraction of 150 thereof.

Equal representation in both state and county conventions is given women. Regardless of the number of votes cast each county is entitled to two delegates, one man and one woman.

County conventions may be held at any time by giving notice of ten days. The state convention will convene at 12:00 o'clock noon on Wednesday, March 31. District caucuses will be held at 10 a. m., of the same day.

By allowing Democratic women of Missouri equal representation in the state convention a precedent is broken in this one regard. It is certain the state convention will take the same attitude and provide for an equal number of men and women as delegates to the National convention in San Francisco next June.

The convention will have a total of 1,583 delegates.

Jackson County will be entitled to 178 and the City of St. Louis, 296.

The resolutions adopted by the committee which were prepared by a committee composed of Frank H. Farris, Ed T. Orr and J. Boggs follow.

Whereas, we, the State Committee of the Democratic party of Missouri, are now assembled to take the initial step in the great political contest that is to be waged in this State, and we are now about to call into convention the Democratic hosts to express their choice of a national standard bearer of our party, it is meet and proper that we as the official heads of the party should proclaim "Attention, comrades! all is well."

The administration of national affairs under the leadership of that incomparable statesman, that heroic citizen, that polished scholar, that liberty loving patriot, and fearless defender of humanity and the rights of men, Woodrow Wilson, has never been equaled, much less excelled, in the history of our country.

No man has ever been confronted with as many new delicate and difficult problems for solution, and none has come nearer reaching the correct result than he.

A creative genius in peace, he was a gallant and safe leader in war.

The breaking down of old and obstructive policies, and inauguration of new rules and new ideas have marked his achievements in governmental affairs as to the greatest of the age.

The legislative acts suggested by him and passed by a Democratic Congress in a few years, and more in number, broader in scope, and more beneficial in results than those enacted by the Republican party in half a century.

A man of peace, yet in extremities, he and his associates in the co-ordinate branches of government became men of war.

The successful manner in which he and his associates called men from the field, shops, factories, offices and all walks of life, and in a few months mobilized an army of millions, and prepared and transported across the seas to the battlefields of France more than two millions of our bravest and best sons, who animated by the same love, and devoted to the same cause, won the world war and planted forever in Europe the seeds for popular government, is an achievement not paralleled in the history of the world.

The record of President Wilson and the Democratic Congress will bear

the acid test and meet the approval of the sovereign people.

We are also fortunate in being able to endorse strongly our State administration.

Governor Gardner, upon entrance into office, found our revenue at a low tide, and the State facing a deficit of more than two million dollars. He and his associates in the executive branch of government negotiated a loan to take care of our various unpaid obligations. Within three years this loan has been paid; all current expenses of the State met and we are now upon a cash basis with money in the treasury to meet every necessary and legitimate demand of our State Government. And this has been done without the placing of heavy burdens on the people.

There are many other matters of State to which we could refer, but suffice it to say, that the State administration in all departments has been one of economy, wisdom, justice and progress.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we heartily endorse the administration of President Wilson, and the Democratic Congress, and renew our allegiance to the President in his efforts to secure the approval of the Treaty of Peace and the covenant of the League of Nations.

That we cheerfully recommend and approve the record of Governor Gardner and his associates in State affairs; and upon achievements we open this political contest, confident of victory, and now appeal to every Democrat and fair minded citizens of Missouri, to think and act, and to vote as his conscience and judgment will dictate, and by so doing, a Democratic majority in Missouri is assured.

NEW TURNIPS.—Farmers Supply Co.

Mrs. S. J. Reese visited relatives in Dexter Sunday.

Mrs. Sallie Gaty went to Bertrand Monday to attend to her income tax returns.

A little daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schuppert Friday, January 30th.

S. M. Dailey and Mrs. Courtright left Sunday on a buying trip for the Skeston Mercantile Co.

The Co-Workers will meet Tuesday afternoon, at the usual hour, at the home of Mrs. Lillie McGee.

Mrs. C. M. Taylor and small son are guests at the home of Mrs. Taylor's mother, Mrs. Nellie Estes.

Miss Daisy Garden left Sunday afternoon for Chicago and St. Louis markets to purchase the latest models in spring millinery.

Frank M. Ducker, a former resident of Skeston, is reported slowly recovering, in a hospital at Oshkosh, Wisconsin, from a serious attack of pneumonia.

Miss Eva Carter and Miss Golda Fowler departed Sunday for the St. Louis Millinery markets. Miss Vera Walpole has charge of the Elite during their absence.

Miss Erma Ogilvie has resigned her position in the offices of the Scott County Milling Company and returned to Charleston, having accepted a position there with the Charleston Milling Company.

The Washington University Mandolin and Glee Club will appear in Skeston at an early date, which is as yet undecided. This is the Glee Club's annual tour and Skeston is one of the few Southeast Missouri towns that is always honored by these delightful entertainers.

Don't fail to hear the Welsh Lady Singers at the Christian Church Friday evening, February 13th. The program is brilliant and high class. The artists are artists of recognized talent with fresh, ringing, youthful voices, so excellently trained that in chorat rendition they sing absolutely as one.

The Friday issue of the Chaffee Signal contained a column and a half article from the Flour-Cereal Union 359 of Skeston, which goes into lengthy detail of their side of the strike question. It seems rather strange that an article of this sort should appear in an out-of-town publication without at least having first been submitted to the home papers.

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Letter of Resignation to the First Baptist Church.

Sikeston, Mo.,
February 1, 1920.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:

When I first saw the Baptist situation in this community, I thought my pastorate probably ought to stretch over a period of eight or ten years in order to do what I saw ought to be done. The great question with me, however, was, will I have patience to remain that long and will the Church have patience to allow me to remain so long? Patience in both pastor and Church is one of the most fruitful elements of a long and useful pastorate. My ideals have not all been worked out and brought to completion. But while man proposes God disposes. None of us knows what a day may bring forth or what sudden changes may run athwart our plans.

The unexpected death of Mrs. Brite's widowed sister recently, has made me feel the necessity of some changes. The Providence of God permitting in the interest of those who are nearest to us by kinship and who look to us in a measure for counsel and guidance.

While I was weighing these matters of duty to relatives, the Baptist Church of Laramie, Wyoming was seeking a pastor and through a strange providence were led to believe that I was the man to fit into their peculiar situation. Being the seat of the State University, the State Normal School and the State Agricultural College and a division point of the Union Pacific Railroad makes it a strategic point for Christian work for the whole State of Wyoming. It appeals to me as a door of great opportunity in the Lord; and since it seems we can be of some help and comfort to those nearest us, who live in the West; and also offers a possible solution of a vexing problem of education in my own family, for which my financial condition has been entirely inadequate, I have been trying for the last two or three weeks to discover my duty.

It seems to me the Lord is leading into the West, though the path is entirely unknown to me; and I cannot tell what recesses or failures await me. I am trusting Christ. I believe He will lead me on. I am sure Wyoming needs the gospel as much as Missouri and since the field is the world, I am willing to preach the good news of Christ wherever his Providence seems to open to me. If my ministry has been of any value to this Church and community, I am profoundly grateful; and know it was only because you were wise enough and gracious enough to give hearty co-operation to whatever the pastor attempted to do.

With genuine sorrow at the thought of parting; and yet with deepest desire to please Jesus Christ our common Lord in all, I attempt to do, I offer my resignation as pastor, asking that it become effective March 1, 1920. While the Church at Laramie is eager for me to come at once, I feel it is only just to you that you have at least a month to adjust yourselves to new conditions before I leave you.

Praying that Christ may be with you all the days to give you courage in every task, comfort in every sorrow, strength in every weakness, hope in every trying hour; and in the earning time, light as you pass thru the valley of the shadow to the mansions in the Fathers house, I am

Sincerely your friend and brother,
S. P. BRITE.

Ed Green of Blodgett was a business visitor in Sikeston Monday.

Dr. J. A. Milem was in Cape Girardeau Monday to look after his farming interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Matthews and son visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cox.

Judge J. C. Lescher, who is seriously ill with pneumonia, is reported somewhat improved today.

Charles Harrison of Essex visited his mother, Mrs. Susan Harrison Thursday night and Friday.

Miss Louise Marvel and Miss Polly Fink of Bloomfield were guests for the week end of Miss Honora Bailey.

Mrs. Tom Harrison and children of Lilbourn, who have been guests of relatives here returned home Monday.

Mrs. Wylie Martin returned Monday morning from a brief visit in Blytheville, Ark, with her brother, Marion Darter and family.

Guy Lescher of St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. James Cresap of Gideon were called here by the serious illness of Judge J. C. Lescher.

Miss Mary Gould of Villa Ridge and Miss Erma Lackley of Pulaski, who have been visiting Miss Martha Gould, returned to their homes Monday.

A meeting of the Poland-China breeders of Scott County will be held in Sikeston, Friday February 6th at the Marshall Hotel. All Poland-China breeders of each of the other eight counties in the Southeast Missouri district have been invited to attend this meeting, which is the result of letters sent out by Farm Agent A. I. Foard to the breeders to get their opinion on the idea of an organization. Everyone is enthusiastically in favor of the plan and consider it a splendid thing for the breeders and to the district.

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Col. Roosevelt and Quentin.

The end of the hope that all his sons would return came to Colonel Roosevelt one July night at Sagamore Hill. Phil Thompson, the resident correspondent at Oyster Bay, had called to ask about a cable message to the New York Sun from Raymond G. Carroll, one of its men at the front. "I have here," he told him, a cable message to the Sun. The censor has cut it some, so that it is blind. It reads, "Watch Oyster Bay for." Have you any idea what it means?" "Something has happened to one of the boys," he answered. "It cannot be Ted and it cannot be Archie, for both of them are recovering from wounds. It is not Kermit, for he's not in the danger zone just at the moment. So it must be Quentin. However, we must say nothing of this to his mother tonight."

Confirmation of his fears came early the next morning. The colonel took the blow exactly as one would expect him to take it.

"I must tell his mother," he said. When he returned, a few minutes later, he gave to Thompson the wonderful comment, expressing the joy of Quentin's parents that their boy had had his chance to do his bit before he was called to go.

The next day despite what he must have been suffering, the colonel kept an engagement to speak at the Republican convention in Saratoga.

"It is my duty to go there," he said. To the stranger, Colonel Roosevelt gave no sign of his bitter affliction. Those who knew him best saw, however, that the blow had slowed him down. Not that he paraded his grief—even to them. That grief was a secret, sacred thing—to be exhibited to none.

Not long after, Captain Archie crippled in arm and leg, came home. His coming gave the colonel relief, for the young man was in much better shape than had been anticipated, and the doctors were strong in assurances that his recovery would be nearly complete. When he was well enough to leave the hospital he and the colonel "chummed" about town and Oyster Bay.

"Colonel," I said one day, "Archie is making splendid progress. I just saw him running down the street. He runs as well as any boy. I congratulate you."

"Thank you, Jack," he replied. "The surgeons are working wonders. In the early days of the war he'd have lost arm and leg if not his life. As it is, he's coming around splendidly. "And Ted—I've just had a letter from a regular army officer who says Ted's as good an officer as there is in the regular establishment. He's been made a lieutenant colonel, you know. Isn't that fine? And Kermit's doing well, too."

But the dead boy—the eagle whose fall had hurt him to the heart—he did not mention.—John J. Leary, Jr., in McClure's.

We still have some men's nice dress shirts at \$1.00.—Pinnell Store Co.

Fred Old returned Monday to his home in Commerce after a brief visit in this city.

Brisket Beef 10 cents per pound or three pounds for a quarter. Phone 24—Walpole Packing Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clodfelter returned Sunday from a visit with relatives in Essex and Huntersville.

Marion Clark has been bound over to the Circuit Court on a charge of obtaining money under false pretense.

Mrs. D. E. Grojean, of Dexter visited from Thursday until Sunday with her daughter, Miss Helen Grojean.

Jas. Matthews, a former resident of Scott County was in Sikeston Saturday enroute to his home in Jackson, Mississippi.

Mrs. Paul Stone and children, who have been with Mrs. S. V. Mitchell for several weeks, returned Sunday to their home in Oran.

H. J. Welsh was called to Oran Friday to embalm the body of Mr. C. P. DePriest, aged 54 years, who died early Friday morning of apoplexy. When Mr. DePriest retired Thursday evening, he seemed in excellent health. During the night his wife was awakened by the unusual struggles he was making and realized he was gasping for breath. Before she could call assistance, he was dead. Funeral services were held Sunday in Oran followed by burial in the City Cemetery.

Miss Honora Bailey entertained at her home Saturday evening in honor of her visitors, Miss Louise Marvel and Miss Polly Fink of Bloomfield. Guests for the evening were Jas. M. Smyth, Lyman Cunningham, Cecil Jones, Pleas Malcolm, Paul Denman, Carl Freeman, Albert Bruton, Fred Allard, Miss Vera Cunningham, Miss Kathryn Jewell, Miss Ruth McCoy, Miss Eva Jones, Miss Martha Gould, Misses Cora and Maggie Matthews, Miss Evelyn Sutton, Miss Hedessa Killough, Miss Helen Kready.

In Sikeston on Wednesday February 11th, the Farm Bureau will conduct a one-day school of instruction in farm accounts. The date was previously scheduled for the 10th, but was changed so as not to conflict with the Isaac Ross & Sons big Poland China Hog Sale, which is to be held in Benton the 10th. All farmers are invited to attend this school of instruction. W. E. Foard of the Farm Management Department of the College of Agriculture at Columbia, will be here to conduct the school. The object of this instruction is to give the farmers a practical demonstration of simple methods of keeping cost accounts of farm operations. This instruction will be of greatest value when it comes to figuring up the income tax. The school will begin at 9:30 a. m. and continue throughout the day. Mr. W. E. Foard is a brother of A. I. Foard, the Scott County Farm Agent.

Running a Newspaper.

Deer folks: Now I know why editors go mad. I ben trying to run this paper while the editor is on his vakashun. For three (3) days and nites I ben reading questions and trying to answer them, and if I don't quit I'll be going around talking to myself.

I am going to answer a few more and go to the ball game.—Jimmy the office boy.

1. What is a limberneck? J. Jones. Limberneck in the country is a strange disease of fowls and chickens. In the city it is a disease of human persons caused by watching fowls—and chickens.

2. Do small cows give condensed milk. Mable B.

No, Mabel, condensed milk is made by trying to get a quart of milk into a pint bottle.

3. Please tell me how hash is made. W. W.

Hash is not made, it accumulates. 4. Is it all right to feed hogs corn in the ear. G. K.

No, put it in a trough and let them help themselves.

5. I am in love with a homely girl who works for us but she don't seem to care fore me, while a pretty girl with lots of money wants to marry me. What shall I do? Will M.

Marry the one you love and send me the name and address of the other one.

6. My hair is beginning to come out. What can I do to keep it in? Get a sack.

7. Please tell me how to raise a nice fat hog of about 500 pounds. Z. Get a derrick.

8. How can I tell when the water is the right temperature for bathing a baby? Young Mother.

If the kid gets red and hollers, the water is too hot. If he gets blue and shivers, it's too cold.

9. I am 40 years old and have a nice little farm and am thinking of taking a wife. What would you advise? Old Bach.

I would advise you to be careful about whose wife you took.

10. Our red bull is chasing me around a 40-acre field. What shall I do? Mike F.

I don't know, but don't give up, Mike; the editor will be back in a week.—L. L. LeBram in Success in Farming.

Emory Matthews made a business trip to Oran Friday.

Buy a pair of Crawford shoes. They are good.—Pinnell Store Co.

Try our hot drinks. We have lots of different kinds. Hot chocolate, Tomato Boullion, Beef Boullion, Chicken Boullion, Oyster Boullion, Clam Boullion. You will like our hot chocolate.—The Bijou.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Whitener of Marquand have recently closed a deal for the property that for many years belonged to Louis Baker, and expect to move here about the first of March. Mrs. Jake Sitze is a daughter of the Whiteners.

Of Interest To Merchants.

Some oldtime merchants used to say that the "satisfied customer" was the best advertisement and would give them all the new business they wanted. They depended upon this more or less mythical creature to spread information about their store, and believed they could build up a trade as the result of favorable reports given by their customers to their townspeople. The practical result of that style of merchandising was that stores that practiced it stayed in the rut and were mighty lucky to even hold their old trade.

Elmore Peterson of the University of Colorado in addressing the Rocky Mountain Shoe Retailers the other day, warned them not to place dependence upon the "satisfied customer" for their advertising. He said that the satisfied customer is the store's best ad for holding trade, but it is not so for getting new trade. "No merchant can hope to succeed in his business," he said, "if he depends upon his customers to do his advertising for him."

The above quoted speaker might have put it much stronger than that. The fact that a purchaser is pleased with a purchase does not by any means indicate that he will go to that store again next time.

Housewives do not sepdn time, as they were once reputed to do, in leaning over the back yard fence telling where they bought their brooms and calico dresses. Most people have no idea where their neighbors buy stuff anyway.

A purchaser's impulse to go to certain place is largely influenced by two forms of suggestion: First, having seen an advertisement in some recent newspaper telling of something needed at that particular time; second the cumulative result of constant advertising, creating the impression that a certain merchant is always playing the game and running his business in an enterprising way, likely to attract the public.—Public Opinion, Decorah, Iowa.

Reflection of a Bachelor Girl.

In a bachelor's opinion, there are only two kinds of wives—those who make a man stay up and go to parties on Saturday night, and those who make him get up and go to Church on Sunday morning.

Also, a woman has twice as many emotions as a man and only half as many emphatic words in which to express them—if she's a lady.

"Optimism" is that golden dream of Alnascher which makes a girl believe that she is a man's first love—and or his last; makes a mother regard twins as a "blessing;" and makes a man have faith that he can steer safely through the shallows of many flirtations without foundering on the rocks of matrimony.

No man ever loses his vanity, so long as he can look in the mirror and see a brilliant scarf at one end of his face and a few strands of hair at the other.

Just as a woman has succeeded in persuading herself that the Bolshevik menace has passed, that prices are coming down, and that life, after all, is full of sweetness and light, the census taker comes along and joggles with a purchase does not by any her cup of happiness by brutally asking her age.

Every husband was once a bachelor with the midnight habit; and every man is like a cat; if he has no other place to wander, he will wander around the house nights. Just let calico dresses. Most people have no idea where their neighbors buy stuff anyway.

Silence protects a woman like a lace curtain. She can peep through it and watch the world go by—but nobody can penetrate it and see what's going on inside her mind.

Mrs. Earl Malone and son Paul David shopped Monday in Cairo.

Misses Flora and Cora Faust of Charleston were Sikeston visitors Friday night and Saturday.

Miss Laurie Ruhl of Clayton, Mo., has accepted the position as bookkeeper for the Stubbs Clothing Company and begun her duties Monday.

J. R. McLachlan, State Grand Lecturer of the Masonic Lodge, arrived Sunday to hold a school of instruction, Monday and Monday night, Tuesday and Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Crutchfield and Mrs. Alfred Inman celebrated their birthdays Sunday with a dinner party at the Crutchfield home. Dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Celestine Finley and children, Mr. and Mrs. Lige Inman and family, Alf Inman, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Inman and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Buchanan, Mrs. Amanda King, Miss Lora Fulkerson, Miss Fred Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Guber, Mr. and Mrs. Will Lane, and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Wilson will entertain Tuesday evening with six tables of bridge, the guest lists includes Miss Mary Ross, Misses Amy and Fern Allen, Will Sikes, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. Ranney Applegate, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Stalcup, Mr. and Mrs. Moore Greer, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Dover, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Roth, Dr. and Mrs. L. O. Rodes, Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Wylie, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Dover,

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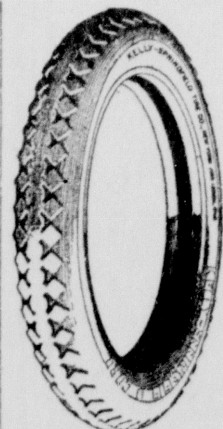
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WHEN THE STORM GODS SAVED CONSTANTINOPLE

"The Russian pirates have entered the harbor!" was the message that spread terror through the streets of Constantinople early one morning in the year 804. The whole city was soon in a panic, as each citizen hurried to the water front hoping against hope that the report was a hoax. Instead of relief, however, he found confirmation. There in the Golden Horn floated a fleet of "men of war" manned by the ferocious bandit sailors of the North.

The fleet resembled those that in the earliest ages had sailed the Sea of Marmora. For three years it had cruised the Black Sea and now it had succeeded in slipping past the war galleys of the empire. It was composed of some two hundred boats, each built according to the fancy of its commander. The general plan was to use the trunk of a large tree for a keel and on each side of it lash logs, thus giving an almost flat bottomed craft about sixty feet long by twelve feet wide. The oars were made of tree limbs with skins fastened to the ends and the sails were of skins fastened to tree trunks raised upright, often with one or more forks left on them so the fleet resembled a floating, leafless forest. Each "warship" carried a crew of about sixty men.

Such was the appearance of the fleet that had descended out of the wild north to capture the great commercial city of the Byzantine empire. The savage crew carried weapons as fanciful as their ships were in appearance and were clad in skins.

The emperor had known that the fleet was likely to come. It had plundered the empire's Black Sea commerce for years, but never had succeeded in entering the Bosphorus. Now, however, the Byzantine warships were cruising in the Sea of Marmora and the Russian "war vessels" found themselves masters of the harbor with its silk sailed pleasure barges and its merchants ships laden with rich cargoes.

The emperor, who was at his summer palace in the Sea of Marmora, succeeded in reaching the city, after considerable difficulty, only by a neglected stair in an obscure part of the harbor.

But the Russians had failed to consider one point necessary to capture the city. While its fleet was eluded there still remained the bodyguard of the emperor, composed of Danes and Britons armed with axes. To these hardy soldiers the Russians presented only a prospect of a day of amusement in a "sham battle." They laughed and joked about the "floating woods" and dared the Russians to come ashore.

While the Russians were debating the wisdom of facing the huge axes of the city's defenders, storm clouds began to gather. One of the tempests that had so often scattered hostile fleets that threatened Constantinople burst over the city, and when the sky cleared the invaders were glad to escape into the Black Sea with the small portion of their fleet that remained.

This, however, was only the first attempt. Forty years later a larger and better equipped Russian fleet under Ignor sailed into the Bosphorus. It was shattered in a battle in which the Byzantines poured merciless streams of "Greek fire" on the Russians. In 1043 the Russians came again and almost defeated the Byzantine navy. Often the city was threatened by land from savage tribes that came out of the North, but although these soldiers came to the very gates and sometimes entered parts of the city, they never succeeded in capturing it.

The manner in which the desire of the Russians to possess Constantinople was awakened furnishes an interesting story. Constantinople was in trade the rival of Alexandria. About a hundred years before the fleet whose appearance in the Golden Horn caused such consternation came out of the Black Sea the Egyptian city had gathered away from the merchants of Constantinople most of the trade of Asia and Africa. One day a boat made of a single log came into the harbor. It brought skins of the North for trade. Others like it followed and soon the annual visit of the Russians was a mercantile event. The fleets descended the rivers into the Black Sea in the summer and brought skins and slaves to trade for silk and rich goods and wine.

But these visits yearly awakened in the minds of the traders a desire to possess the riches of the great city without the labor of producing something in return. Soon the Russians began to descend on the ships of the merchants as pirates and plunder the coast near the capital. For more than a thousand years thereafter the various pirate tribes to the north of the Black and Caspian seas were as much of a terror to the sailors of Constantinople and the cities along the southern shores of those seas as the pirates of Algiers were to southern Europe in later centuries.—K. C. Star.

THE GAZETTE, SAULT STE. MARIE, SAYS:

Good House Greeted Royal Welsh Ladies' Choir Thursday Evening

It was a well filled house that greeted Madame Hughes Thomas' Royal Welsh Lady Singers, Thursday, in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. And felt well repaid too, for the opportunity is not often given to music lovers of the Sault to hear such a splendid concert as was put on last evening.

The concert opened when Madame Thomas traced briefly the history of her small but wonderful country. So when the "Battle Song of the Men of Harlech" was rendered by the company of eight singers, the audience was in a most receptive mood for the stirring theme. "The Short Cut," by Misses O'Mara and E. Wilkins was both catchy and pleasing, but probably "Coming Thru the Rye" by Miss Myrtle Chamberlain was the most popular. "Tingleleleing" from "High Jinks" was rendered in dainty fashion and was the last number on the first half of the program.

Miss Nelson gave a reading during the interval between the first and second half which was much appreciated. "The Organ Builder," responding to the encore with a funny little thing entitled "When the Hindu Died."

The prison scene from "Il Trovatore" by Misses Morgan Wilkins and the choir, was splendidly done as was also "Will O' the Wisp" by Miss Wilkins. Probably "The Regular Royal Queen," from "Pirates of Penzance" received the most applause, and little wonder, too, the music had a most catchy rhythm and the quartette, Misses Chamberlain, Wilkins, Nelson and Wilkins, had a snappy tuneful manner of rendering the chorus. "Kentucky Babe" by Miss O'Mara and the choir, had all the melancholy sweetness of Southern melodies. The audience might almost feel transported to a Kentucky cabin door, listening to the crooning lullaby of a "mammy and her babe." The last numbers were a chorus. "Day is at last departing," and the Welsh national anthem, completing one of the most successful concerts ever given here. This is the second appearance of the Welsh choir and they have undoubtedly succeeded in establishing a worthwhile reputation in the Sault.

The Royal Welsh Lady Singers will be at the Christian Church in this City, Friday evening, February 13th.

A Woman's Argument For Good Roads.

In a recent campaign for county bonds for better roads a Missouri farm woman gave the following short and concise argument why she was positively for the bond issue and would vote for it if she were given her right to vote as an adult property owner:

"I am for the county issue of road bonds because they mean more folks living on their own farms in the country, more hired help families living in the country, better marketing of farm produce, and a happier farm life."

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Old Sunken Steamer Found

What old river men say is a part of the hull of the steamer Sultana, which sank between Caruthersville and Memphis, in what is known as Mound City Bend, in April, 1865 with a loss of 1,500 lives, has begun to show up out of the ground, according to the Hickman, Ky., Courier.

The boilers of the big steamer exploded at 4 o'clock on an April morning. The Sultana was on her way from Vicksburg to St. Louis with more than 2,000 Union soldiers. She landed at Memphis about midnight and after taking on fuel and supplies left at 2:30 o'clock.

The hulk of the steamer rests near some thick woodland, far across cotton fields from the present river shore. The sandy soil has been washing considerably, say farmers in that locality, and part of the boat's timbers have begun to appear.

The Sultana was considered by old river men to have been an old boat at the time her boilers exploded. Written reports published by men who knew the steamer say her boilers were known to have been bad and she ought not to have been loaded with so many passengers.

Her commander, old river men say, crowded on all the steam possible to make them for his contract to deliver the soldiers at a certain point near St. Louis was limited and he wanted to make good. This, many river men believe, resulted in the explosion of her eight boilers, which tore the steamer apart and caused her to sink in deep water.

The Reason Why.

The brindle cow was wet and cold, for the hay was poor and the barn was old. She glared around at the cold barn floor where the snow swept through the open door.

The little Red Hen had an awful wheeze; her head dropped down when she tried to sneeze. Her frozen comb was a reddish blue, for the little Red Hen was chilled clear through.

Said the little Red Hen, "By a June Bug's wing, I shall go a strike from now till spring."

Said the Brindle cow, "By a load of hay, I shall give no milk if you won't lay."

It is cold and wet and the fierce winds blow, the barn is filled with drifting snow. No eggs are laid and the cow is dry, and the shiftless farmer wonders why.—T. J. Moffitt in Mosby's Message.

See our line of men's and ladies' shoes before you buy.—Pinnell Store Co.

Editorial Sparks.

Variety is the spice of life—especially in a first-class vaudeville show.—Chicago News.

"Whose little girl are you?" Please sir, this month I'm father's.—Boston Transcript.

"How are they selling things at the bazaar?" "Oh, at a fair price."—Baltimore American.

Now that the prohibition amendment to the Constitution is in effect, marriageable girls will be less likely to find drunkards to reform.—Daily Oklahoman.

Wood alcohol is good for one thing, at least. A small bottle of it, kept in plain view on your desk, will keep the life insurance agents from worrying you to death.—Nashville Tennessean.

The reliable Associated Press states that the toasts at the dinner of the national Democratic committee were drunk in Potomac river water. No wonder Colonel Watterson despairs of the party!—Minneapolis Journal.

"I see where an heiress married a waiter." "Dear me!" "Oh, the match isn't so bad. He already has the manners of the fashionable world. It will only be necessary for her to break him of the habit of carrying a napkin on his arm."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Tips For The Home.

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TWELVE MILLION SPENT ON LINCOLN HIGHWAY IN 1919.

Detroit, Mich.—The year 1919 witnessed the greatest constructive development on the Lincoln highway ever accomplished in a single year. Money spent on the highway in 1919 was about twelve million dollars according to the Lincoln Highway Association headquarters here. This was only about one million dollars short of the total actual expenditures for the five years, 1913-18. In the majority of the eleven states traversed federal aid has largely augmented the state and county funds, the route having been established as a federal aid road to be improved directly under the inspection of the government for more than three-quarters of its total distance between New York and San Francisco.

Contracts covering a total of 159.8 miles of permanent improvement were let in 1919 in seven of the states traversed by the route, the total amount aggregating an additional \$2,323,112.59.

In addition to the considerable cost of properly maintaining such a heavily traveled road as the Lincoln highway, 377.33 miles of new permanent work was accomplished on the Lincoln highway during 1919.

The concrete and brick improvement put in on the Lincoln highway during the last year was largely in the eastern states and in California. The nineteen miles of new Lincoln highway completed in New Jersey were all of the highest type of concrete construction.

This section of the Lincoln highway between Philadelphia and New York carries not only the heaviest traffic of any section of the transcontinental road, but also what is said to be the heaviest traffic on any road in America. As an instance of this density of traffic, a careful census made on the Lincoln highway bridge over the Passaic River west of Jersey City last spring by the county officials showed the passage of eleven thousand vehicles in a period of fifteen hours. Small wonder that the old macadam which constituted the Lincoln highway in New Jersey went rapidly to pieces. The Pennsylvania section of the Lincoln highway comprising the main traveled road between Pittsburgh and Philadelphia and other eastern points carries a volume as heavy as the New Jersey section.

This famous route through the wonderful scenery of the Alleghenies constructed for years of the highest grade of macadam was largely torn to pieces by the tremendous volume of motor truck traffic it carried during the war when it was used as a government transport route. The excessive cost of yearly maintenance work has caused the Pennsylvania state highway department to undertake the gradual reconstruction of the entire road of concrete and over nineteen miles were completed in 1919.

Ohio, for the Lincoln highway in 1919, completed fifty-six and one-half miles of new concrete brick and bituminous macadam. Indiana completed twenty-one miles of new concrete, and Illinois thirty-five. The few remaining gaps of unimprovement on the Lincoln highway in these states will be taken care of during 1920, with a result that the end of the year will see a completed permanent all-weather road from Times Square, New York City, to the Mississippi River, providing the shortest, best and most direct route between New York and Chicago.

West of the Mississippi, during the past year fundamental difficulties have been removed in several states and a safe and open route in line for rapid betterment opened from the Mississippi to San Francisco Bay. With the exception of California, Iowa is the one state west of the Mississippi through which the Lincoln highway passes which is fully capable of itself financing the adequate and permanent completion of the road. Antiquated legislation which was the main barrier to proper highway improvement in Iowa was superseded by a new law during the past year which will enable the prompt permanent construction of all of the important main line roads including the Lincoln way, which was established as one of the state highways. More than twenty-two miles of new permanent grade was established on the Lincoln highway in Iowa and more than twelve miles of it graveled for the temporary accommodation of travel. The trans-Iowa road now, as in the past, is a boulevard in dry weather, but should not yet be attempted while wet. Concrete construction in Iowa is planned in many counties for 1920.

The highway improvement problem in Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah and Nevada is much the same which to a greater or lesser degree confronts the majority of the states between the

Missouri river and the Sierras—a problem which can never be properly solved except by direct action from the federal government and the ultimate laying out and construction of an American highway system by a federal authority and with funds from the United States treasury.

In proportion to population, the West is doing more to better highway conditions than is the East. Nebraska's improvement problem on the Lincoln highway is much the same as that of Iowa, with the exception that Nebraska has a greater mileage of roads and a much smaller population.

The route of the Lincoln highway was recently constituted a part of the Nebraska state primary system of roads, and was taken over January 1, 1920, by the state, which will hereafter be responsible for maintenance as well as reconstruction. Sixty-three miles of new permanent grading was accomplished on the Lincoln highway in Nebraska in 1919, and, in addition, the financing of the complete construction of the route across Douglas County, in which Omaha is located, was accomplished and a start made toward this work, which will be completed in 1920. Dodge County also financed the construction of seven miles of concrete, and will start the work early in the spring.

Wyoming is very progressive, and has every year spent a larger per capita amount upon the improvement of the Lincoln highway than any other state traversed. Wyoming recently passed a 3 million dollar bond issue, and is undertaking as rapidly as possible to bring about the construction of the Lincoln highway from Cheyenne to Evanston and the Yellowstone trail leading from the capital to the Yellowstone National Park, these two roads being the most important in the state. Twenty-two miles of new gravel work was accomplished on the Lincoln highway between Cheyenne and Laramie in 1919.

Nevada, in 1919, received aid amounting to \$125,000. These funds were contributed by W. C. Durant in behalf of the General Motors Company and John N. Willys, president of the Willys-Overland Company, and director of the Lincoln Highway Association. Contracts were entered into in 1919 between the state of Nevada and the Lincoln Highway Association calling for the expenditure of more than \$425,000 of combined state, county and federal funds in 1920. In 1919 Nevada completed twenty-two

miles of new Lincoln highway. It is notable that five miles of this was high grade concrete on the road between Reno and the capitol at Carson City.

Federal aid is not the real solution of the highway problem of such vast and sparsely populated states as Nevada, for it merely provides for the doubling of the available state funds as far from adequate as in many such western state, even doubling them does not begin to provide for the needed work. The Lincoln highway in Nevada for nearly five hundred miles across the state is the most important road in the West, being part of the main line of through traffic between Salt Lake City and the Pacific. The Trans-Nevada Lincoln highway is of far greater importance to the nation than it is to the comparatively few residents of Nevada.

Through the long efforts of the Lincoln Highway Association, an open route, and to the greater extent a good route, has been provided across the state of Utah. With the co-operation of the state highway department and through the contribution of \$25,000 by Carl G. Fisher, vice-president of the association, and \$100,000 by F. A. Seiberling, president of the Lincoln Highway Association and the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company of Akron, O., a necessary mountain pass has been opened and a cut-off constructed across the great American desert, which opens the route from Salt Lake City to Pacific Coast points. The work of constructing the desert cut-off and the Fisher Pass road in Western Utah and begun in 1918, but was not quiet brought to completion at the end of the 1919 season. Eleven miles of graveling still remained to be accomplished on the Goodyear cut-off. This will be done early in 1920.

Utah bears the distinction of spending the largest per capita amount for highways generally of any state in the union, this figure amounting to in the neighborhood of \$22 per capita. The state during 1919 completed 82.5 miles on the Lincoln highway.

The Lincoln highway has long been a boulevard from Lake Tahoe at the Nevada-California line to San Francisco Bay at Oakland, and it has been merely a question of time for the completion of the entire route in concrete. More than fourteen miles of new concrete were built on the Lincoln highway in California in 1919; this type of permanent improvement now extending all the way from Oakland to some miles east of Placerville. The state passed a 40-million-dollar bond issue in 1919 to complete the state wide system of permanent concrete roads.

The total mileage of Lincoln highway is 3,323, and at the end of 1919 there were 2,538 miles improved.

Something less than one thousand miles of Lincoln highway still remains to be properly improved to an adequate standard. —Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Roumania Receives American Tractors And Autos.

According to a recent report from the American Agent at Bucharest, Roumania, received by the Ford Motor Company's foreign department, New York City, a consignment of 200 Ford motor cars and 180 Fordson tractors was amongst "the first since the end of the war, and may be considered as one of the most important, because of the part they will play in the reconstruction of battle-scarred, hungry Roumania.

Speaking of the arrival of the tractors, the report said: "The 'Fordson' Autotractor, though completely unknown in Roumania, obtained a very large success at its first demonstrations which were followed with the greatest interest by a large number of farmers, on account of its remarkable qualities and of the services it can do in this country where the work-animals have been destroyed by the enemy invasion during the war.

"More than three quarters of the stock arrived has already been sold and is employed all over the country to the delight of the Roumanian farmers who are seeing here a great future for the autotractor.

Reporting on the sale of the motor cars, the trade agent says: "The 'Ford' Automobiles were sold immediately on their arrival and the Noel Company is waiting very anxiously a second consignment of 120 machines which have been ordered at the 'Ford' Manufactory and which, for the greatest part, are already reserved by their customers."

Shipments of agricultural machinery from the Oliver Chilled Plow Works, American Seeding Machine Company and the Roberts Lean Manufacturing Company to be used in connection with the Fordson tractor have also been received in Bucharest.

After the show visit The Bijou. We have all kinds of Hot Drinks. We solicit your patronage and will endeavor to give you the best that money can buy.

Reinstatement of War Risk Insurance Within 18 Months Still Holds Good

To relieve any confusion that may exist in the minds of former service men on account of the special provision of lapsed War Term Insurance which authorized reinstatement up to December 31, 1919, regardless of date of discharge, announcement is made by Director R. G. Cholmeley-Jones of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance that the provisions for reinstatement of lapsed or canceled insurance, within 18 months from date of discharge, upon payment of only two months' premiums on the amount of insurance to be reinstated, provided the insured is in as good health as at the date of discharge or expiration of the grace period which ever is the later date, and so states in his application, still hold good.

The provision that discharged service men are permitted to reinstate at any time within three calendar months following the month of discharge by merely paying the two months' premiums, without making a formal application or a statement as to health is also still in force.

The provisions for reinstatement do not protect a man until he actually reinstates. If he waits he may not be in as good health as he was at the time of his discharge and consequently may not be able to secure reinstatement.

Don't put off reinstatement. Do it NOW!

A Good Recipe.

The average local merchant (of course this is not true in Sikeston) is content to sit back waiting for trade to come to him or is out in front of the store complaining because it passes him by. Moral—Advertise in the Standard, make your store as attractive as possible, fix your prices with the thought of subsequent sales and in due proportion to the cost and keep smiling. Attractive stores and smiling salesmen are bound to attract business.

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"A Cabinet of changes," sneers our young friend Harvey's Weekly apropos of the prospective retirement of Franklin K. Lane, and "there is still time for several more changes."

How differently things were ordered in those dear Roosevelt days! Wilson has had two Secretaries of State and Roosevelt had only three, comments the New York World in a recent editorial. Wilson has had one Secretary of the Navy and Roosevelt had only six. Wilson has had one Secretary of the Interior and Roosevelt had only two. Wilson has had two Secretaries of War and Roosevelt had only three.

Wilson has had one Postmaster General and Roosevelt had only five. Wilson has had as many Attorneys General as Roosevelt, and two Secretaries of the Treasury to Roosevelt's three.

During the Roosevelt Administration there were nine departments of Government and twenty-nine more or less distinguished statesmen wandered in and out of the Cabinet, and only one of them managed to survive both of the Roosevelt Administrations. But it is the Wilson Cabinet, of course, that is "a Cabinet of changes."

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"It is the exception that proves the rule." This is a very wise old adage. In its application to the various activities of the well-known human race, it has, of course, this meaning: If a course of action is noted by observers as exceptional, this is proof in itself that the opposite course of action is the rule.

It has always been the rule that municipalities of high and low degree, when first entering upon a new line of material development, have adopted improper methods and chosen inferior materials. You may go into any community and its "boosters" will first boast of its accomplishments. Then if you will manifest the proper degree of sympathetic interest, the same "boosters" will relate to you a long list of costly and humiliating mistakes that their community has made in its past development activities. You will find that their present improvement program consist mainly of correcting past errors. And if you will inquire closely into the causes of the mistakes that were made, you will secure the admission that those mistakes were all nearly due to their neglect to inform themselves of the experience of other communities which, being much further along in their development, had already made and corrected their own mistakes.

In short, it has always been the habit and the rule for communities and individuals as well to bungle along and insist upon purchasing their experience by their own mistakes, when it could just as well be secured free of cost by observing the experience of others. There are exceptional individuals and communities that have that rare faculty sometimes called "common sense" which permits them to accept and apply for their own uses the mistakes and experiences of others. Such exceptional individuals are known as successful, and such exceptional communities are known as enterprising and progressive.

Now, wherein does this commonplace have bearing upon Mississippi County as regards to her road development activities? It is that it begins to look as if Mississippi County, among all the other agricultural counties of Missouri, is going to be the exceptional one that accepts and applies to its own uses the experience of sections many years farther advanced in road development. It begins to look as if Mississippi County will build all her State-ad roads of a permanent type of material—that is to say, concrete. There seems to be no further arguments required to convince our people of the desirability of adopting a rigid-surfaced road. But inasmuch as the task of financing the costlier road require great effort, it should be made clear why such effort is worth while.

There is a strong reason why we should spare no exertion in financing a State road that has not yet been given the publicity that it deserves. It is this: At the general election next November there will be voted upon, a Constitutional amendment framed to permit the State of Missouri to make a bond issue of \$60,000,000 for road building. These bonds will be carried and retired by the auto-

mobile tax alone. In other states, such bond issues have been extremely popular. No state has ever failed to vote favorably upon the amendment required to permit a State road-bond issue based upon the automobile license tax. It is regarded as certain in all quarters of the State that Missouri will carry this amendment. A State-wide campaign will precede the election. Now this road fund created by the bond issue is to be used for building the State roads of Missouri. There is in the amendment enabling the bond issue the provision that those counties which have already constructed their State roads of a permanent material will receive back every cent they have expended upon them. The justice of this provision is clear because without it the enterprising counties which have already built their State roads of permanent material would not participate in the benefits of the bond issue.

Now let us see what will be Mississippi County's situation following the passage of the State bond issue: If present indications are reliable, within sixty to one hundred and twenty days, Mississippi County will have let the contract for from forty-five to fifty miles of concrete road, costing approximately, \$1,300,000. This money will be regarded as spent when the contracts are let. Of this amount, around \$600,000 will be local money from county bond issue, special road district bond issue and subscription. This amount will be returned to the county for expenditure upon other roads. Thus we are going to have available for use just as rapidly as we can secure construction in the neighborhood of \$2,000,000. This is no mean sum of money for road building, and it has been made possible to get it by reason of the wise administration of our very modest county bond issue of \$375,000.

It will be especially fortunate for the future road development of the county to secure this large sum which will be returned to the county as payment by the State for the roads constructed or contracted because the great advance since voting our county bonds in costs of materials and labor have made it impossible to build the extensive road system contemplated at the time of voting the bond issue. A number of localities in the county which it was expected would receive roads could not now possibly be served by the original issue, except through this refund which will come by reason of our policy of choosing cement construction of our State highways.

This refund of \$600,000 or more may be used in constructing county roads, as further State money will be used to complete the State road to Dorena. All this looks a little too good to be true, but the situation is just as stated, and the dream will come true in a perfectly orderly and commonplace manner if we preserve in our determination to build hard-surfaced roads.—Charleston Enterprise-Courier.

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Mr. Glover's herd also set a record when thirty-six sows brought \$112,032. Eight head of uncatalogued stock were added when afternoon buyers demanded more of the fancy stock and four young boars averaging only about \$500 and four purebred sows added \$14,000 more. Mr. Glover's hogs brought \$126,032 at an average of \$3,112.

F. R. McDermid, a hog and cattle powder manufacturer, entered the ranks of fancy pork breeders by buying Fashion Girl at the record price and following that purchase by buying another Glover sow at \$5,000. Until Winn & Moore's Model Giantess brought \$11,300 at night, Mr. McDermid had set the two high prices of the day.

With a herd such as he is starting, Kansas City now can claim to be the center of Poland China aristocracy. In the few years the way men here have established stock farms for purebred hogs, the results already have been sufficient to attract the breeders of America to sales here. The Glover farm is the home of Liberator, son of Fashion Girl by The Clansman. The record sow again is bred to the Clansman and the second sow to Liberator. The latter boar is unpriced, but his full brother sold recently for \$30,000.

"But what is the basis of such prices for hogs?" was the question more than answered at the dinner in the Hoof and Horn Club to breeders from every state. "Where is the return from such investment to come from?" As to the first, breeders of hogs everywhere agree that the brood sow and sire must be perfected to improve the hog in quality and quantity of meat. Better quality and greater weight in the shortest time on the least feed must result.

C. H. Walker, publisher of the Poland China Journal, read from a report showing a purebred sire will put 5,000 pounds more edible pork on a herd of one hundred pigs than a common sire.

"By that statement alone," Frank D. Winn, a pioneer breeder and part owner of a famous herd of hogs, explained, "the scale of prices for purebred stock is justified. The farmers must produce more meat. They can-

not do it with scrub herds, for only by real breeding can the output be increased."—K. C. Star.

Man Loses Hundreds of Dollars

"I am sorry I did not hear of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy a few years ago, as it would have saved me several hundred dollars. Five years I suffered from indigestion and severe bloating. I grew worse all the time. My doctor said an operation would be all that could save me. I took a course of Mayr's Wonderful Remedy instead and of the past year have been entirely well." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded.—Hess & Smith, Druggists and Druggists Everywhere.

We carry a complete line of men's work clothing.—Pinnell Store Co.

W. W. Griffen, president of the California Association Raisin Co., recently announced that the 1919 raisin crop was worth \$40,000,000, the largest return ever made.

Notice—We have a cot stretcher that may be used free of charge by those who have to be taken to a hospital. All we ask is the prompt return of same after using it.—H. J. Welsh, Farmers Supply Co.

BETTER SIRES LEAD RAPIDLY TO IMPROVE FEMALE STOCK

Enrollments Furnish Striking Facts About Breeding.

That the use of purebred sires is usually a forerunner to ownership of wellbred live stock in the various classes and breeds is shown by data on breeding just made public by the Bureau of Animal Industry, United States Department of Agriculture. The facts and figures compiled are based on records of the "Better Sires—Better Stock" campaign, which at the close of 1919 had been in progress just three months. A greater quantity of data will be needed before conclusive deductions may be made, but the following facts are considered of unusual interest to live-stock owners:

The use of pure-bred sires appears to lead automatically to the ownership of a considerable quantity of purebred female stock.

The use of purebred sires apparently results also in the culling out of scrub females, judging from the small proportion of scrub females to grade, crossbred and purebred female animals owned by purebred-sire users.

Of all female stock owned by persons enrolled in the better-sires campaign at the end of the year, 71 per cent were purebred, 26 per cent were grades and crossbreds, and 3 per cent were scrubs.

The scrub females are believed to be the remnants of former inferior stock before purebred sires were used, since purebred sires lead automatically to either purebred, crossbred, or grade off-spring, depending on the blood lines of the females used.

When Women Defeated The President

Ordinarily the social battles of the Administration Women—those dictators of social life in Washington—are looked upon as beneath the consideration of dignified politics, but there is at least one case in which the women defeated the President of the United States in a pitched battle, and seriously injured his national influence. Andrew Jackson was the old Indian fighter who went down to defeat the cabinet ladies because he dared espouse the cause of the beautiful Peggy O'Neil, one time waitress, who had married a member of Jackson's cabinet.

The memory of the tragic death of his own wife—a death brought on by the shameful attacks of the opposition press—no doubt influenced Old Hickory in his stand, but despite his ultimatum to the members of his cabinet that their political fortunes depended upon their wives' recognition of his protegee, the women were obdurate in their refusal to accept the daughter of a tavern-keeper as their social equal and were in the end victorious.

Cakes.—The Arcade.

For your winter underwear got to Pinnell Store Co.

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Possibly the census-taker's job would be simplified if they would first tabulate the Presidential possibilities and then count what few of us remain.—Literary Digest.

DEMOCRATS AT JEFFERSON CITY

Jefferson City Democrat-News.

Political history was made at the meeting of the Democratic State Committee yesterday afternoon when it was decided by the committee without a dissenting vote that Democratic women of Missouri shall be delegates to the state convention at Joplin, Wednesday, March 31, and have equal representation with men.

The committee announcement of this action was greeted by considerable applause by the women present who showed they were more than pleased with this progressive movement of the Democratic committee, which has ever been friendly to the cause of equal suffrage both in the state and nation.

The only "flare up" in the meeting came when R. Emmet O'Malley, of Kansas City, a political portage of Senator James A. Reed, again "bobbled up" before the committee with his usual resolution to eliminate the endorsement of the League of Nations from the resolutions presented by the meeting by Representative Frank H. Faris who was chairman of the resolutions committee.

The O'Malley resolution followed a presentation of the resolutions endorsing the administration of President Wilson, the League of Nations and the State administration under the guidance of Governor Frederick D. Gardner and his Democratic associates, Attorney General Frank W. McAllister, Treasurer George H. Middlekamp and Secretary of State John L. Sullivan.

After making his motion, which failed of a second, O'Malley called on Judge Casimir J. Welch, who was sitting in the meeting with a proxy from Joseph B. Shannon saying, "I will ask my colleague from Jackson County, Judge Welch to second this motion." The room was quiet for a moment. Senator Mike Kinney asked for information regarding the reference of O'Malley resolution to the resolutions committee.

O'Malley again called on Judge Welch who replied, "I understand the request of Mr. O'Malley, but I refuse to consider it."

Not to be deterred by his defeat by a unanimous vote of the committee Mr. O'Malley then adopted the dilatory tactics of Senator Reed by offering a resolution for an endorsement of the League of Nations for the sole purpose of attempting to cause trouble if possible. This, like the first, died because there was no member of the committee to second his motion for its adoption.

Committee members after the meeting expressed themselves with the resolutions but said they had probably "not gone far enough on the League of Nations by their failure to pass a set of resolutions strongly condemning the action of Senator Reed."

In the selection of a time and place for holding the convention there was never a contest. What was expected to be a contest for the convention on part of Jefferson City business men dwindled down to two or three and Joplin was named as the place.

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A Bit of History

Charles H. Kew, one of our pioneer citizens, a surveyor by profession, and knowing well the danger of fire, theft and mutilation incident to the land records in pioneer days, and desiring to help preserve intact the land titles, began in the early '50s the compilation of a set of Abstract Books to the lands and town lots of Scott County.

Later years proved the wisdom of his forethought. The soldiers during the Civil War raided the Court House and destroyed one of the land books completely and partially destroyed another, thereby (in-so-far as the records themselves show) breaking the chain of title to much of our lands.

Time has made the books made by Mr. Kew priceless. The work SHOWS IN FULL ABSTRACTED FORM ALL THE DEEDS WHICH WERE OF RECORD AND DESTROYED DURING THE WAR, and have in cases too numerous to mention been the means of saving the land owners the cost of bringing an action to Quiet Title, to say nothing concerning the delays and trouble over contesting claimants.

Mr. Kew practiced the profession of making abstracts until 1882, when his books were acquired by the late Joseph H. Moore, who later entered into a co-partnership with the late V. L. Harris under the style of MOORE-HARRIS ABSTRACT COMPANY under which it was incorporated in 1917 and under which name it continues to make Abstracts.

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Sikeston Standard

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CHARLESTON WINS SKESTON WINS

Last Friday evening our oldtime rivals, the Charleston Blue Jays, journeyed to Sikeston to try their luck against the Sikeston basketballers. Both boys' and girls' teams came loaded with their usual amount of confidence and determination to wallop the home teams. It was an even break—the Sikeston boys winning and the Charleston girls at the long end of the score.

The girls game came first and proved very one-sided. The Sikeston girls were unable to cope with their faster and more experienced rivals. The final score being 50 to 6.

Miss Davis was the high point getter for the visitors, with a total of 29 points. Miss Joslyn was next in line with 21 points.

Ruth DeWitt with 4 points and Cozette Stone with 2 were the Sikeston scorers.

Although easily outclassed, the Sikeston girls displayed much improvement. Their team-work and handling of the ball was much better than shown before. The defeat should only spur them on to greater efforts and hold up our tradition that we might be down but never out.

The line-up:

Sikeston: Forwards, Ruth Dewitt, Cozette Stone, centers, Mildred Bowman, Kathryn Jewell, guards, Rosa Moser, Evelyn Sutton and Marguerite Atkinson.

The boys game opened up fast and furious. For a while neither side counted, the guarding being exceptionally close. Presnell, of Charleston, started the scoring with a field goal. The Sikeston lads woke up and started things. The half ended 10 to 6, with the home boys at the long end.

In the second half, Charleston was able to count but 5 points and the game ended 24 to 11, favor of Sikeston.

Capt. Paul Gilbert, at center and Lewis Baker, forward, tied for the scoring honors with 10 a piece; Baker counting four out of five trials for three throws. Fred Allard followed with four points.

Presnell led Charleston with a total of four; Capt. Lair, 3 and Lynch and Farris, 2 each.

Woodard Baker, until ruled out with four personal fouls, gave a pretty exhibition of guarding and was probably the outstanding player of either team. Excellent guarding held Charleston's score down considerably.

Lair, Capt., was the visitors' outstanding player. He handled the ball nicely and his good floor work started many a Charleston rally.

Both teams were shooting poorly. The home quintet although showing a marked improvement in team work, seemed to have lost the art of caging the leather in comparison with their previous form. The Charleston lads, although handicapped by the small court, missed inexcusable shots.

Harry Dudley refereed both games, and considering the conditions under which he worked, his refereeing was very commendable.

The line-up:

Sikeston: P. Gilbert, (Capt.); L. E. Baker, forward; Allard, forward; W. Baker, guard; Malcolm, guard; N. Gilbert, guard; Potashnick, guard.

Charleston:

Farris, center; Lair (Capt.), Forward; Presnell, forward; Rowe, guard;

Lynch, guard; Jenkins, guard; Pond-er, guard.

Mrs. John Chaney and Miss Marie left Sunday night for a few days shopping in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Denman went to St. Louis Friday night, where Mrs. Denman entered a hospital for an operation.

Should there be any person or family that have been missed by the census enumerator, it is requested that they notify J. A. Barber.

The editor of The Standard returned home Sunday evening from a trip to Jefferson City and other points, and will have a few observations in the Friday's issue.


The young high school girls, who are members of the first year class in Domestic Science, entertained the members of the School Board at dinner Friday evening.

Word was received here Monday afternoon of the death of Mrs. David Mann, which occurred at her home in New Madrid at six o'clock Monday morning. Death came after a three weeks illness of influenza. Mrs. Mann was one of the most prominent women of New Madrid and well known throughout Southeast Missouri.

W. H. Sikes went to Kentucky last week to attend a sale of pure-bred Duroc hogs held by one of Kentucky's most famous breeders, and purchased two of the best animals offered at this sale. Before enlisting in the army Bill had one of the finest herd of Durocs to be found in the State of Missouri. He is again determined to be numbered among the breeders of fine hogs and means to have a herd of even better blood than his former herd.

Last Friday night at Hot Springs, Ark., Otis Bryant of Sikeston, hooked up in a ten-round bout with Young Fitzsimmons, and at the end of the tenth round, the referee gave the decision as a draw. The first five rounds showed that they were very equally matched with no advantage either way. The sixth, seventh, eighth, and ninth rounds were clearly Bryant's, while the tenth round was in favor of Fitzsimmons. In the seventh, Bryant hit Fitzsimmons a powerful blow that staggered him, but that was all. After the bout, Otis didn't have a bruise or scratch, while his opponent showed the punishment that he received.

The latter part of the week Otis will go to Miami, Fla., where he is scheduled for an exhibition on the 14th, after which he will go to Oklahoma City, the home of Fitzsimmons, where he hopes to meet that pugilist again.



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Mrs. Margaret Ashley of Cairo visited relatives in this city the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Willis Guess went Friday morning to care for the family of Will Guess, who are seriously ill.

Mrs. Edward Mitchell and children went to Oran Sunday for a week's visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Lucy Vaughn and Miss Lora McCord of Oran spent the week end with relatives and friends in this city. Found on New Madrid St. Friday afternoon—a door key. Finder can have same by calling at Standard office and paying for this notice.

Mrs. Frank Shoen, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Meiderhoff for about five weeks returned Friday to her home in Texarkana, Ark.

Miss Gella Weir returned Friday, to her home in Hot Springs, Ark., after an extended visit in this city with her cousins, Misses Oma and Fern Scott.

Flu conditions in New Madrid continue to be most alarming and the citizens try to take every precaution, it seems impossible to check the spread of the epidemic. The situation in Sikeston is far from serious altho' occasional new cases are developing. While there are some few cases of smallpox, the quarantine rules are observed so carefully that few fear a spread of the disease.

J. R. Thornton, fiscal agent of the American Potato Harvester Company Inc., of Cape Girardeau, was a visitor in this City Monday. Mr. Thornton expects to return in the course ten days to start an advertising campaign to sell stock in this company. The factory of the American Potato Harvester will be located in Cape Girardeau. The minimum output per annum is expected to be about one thousand machines.

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DEMOCRATS AT JEFFERSON CITY

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James E. Boggs, member of the committee from this district, presented the claims of Jefferson City although he long before realized Joplin had the convention and gone with it. Judge Haywood Scott presented Joplin's claim by declaring that city "has always brought good luck to Democracy." He recited the successful campaigns of 1912 and 1916 when the convention and a campaign opening respectively were held in the city "built by jack," and presented and offer from the Joplin Chamber of Commerce of \$1,000 and hotel accommodations for members of the committee. His offer was accompanied by a check certified for the amount which was turned over to Treasurer James E. Cox of the committee.

Mayor Jesse Osborn, Mrs. Emily Newell Blair, Mrs. C. C. Cummings and Mrs. Chloe Scholes Miller joined in the invitation to the metropolis of Missouri's prosperous zinc mining district.

Following the public meeting the committee went into executive session and designated Governor Frederick D. Gardner as temporary chairman of the convention and Secretary J. L. Shepherd of the committee as temporary secretary.

The convention call adopted by the committee provides for one delegate for each 250 votes cast for president in 1916, and for each fraction of 150 thereof.

Equal representation in both state and county conventions is given women. Regardless of the number of votes cast each county is entitled to two delegates, one man and one woman.

County conventions may be held at any time by giving notice of ten days. The state convention will convene at 12:00 o'clock noon on Wednesday, March 31. District caucuses will be held at 10 a. m., of the same day.

By allowing Democratic women of Missouri equal representation in the state convention a precedent is broken in this one regard. It is certain the state convention will take the same attitude and provide for an equal number of men and women as delegates to the National convention in San Francisco next June.

The convention will have a total of 1,583 delegates.

Jackson County will be entitled to 178 and the City of St. Louis, 296.

The resolutions adopted by the committee which were prepared by a committee composed of Frank H. Farris, Ed T. Orr and J. Boggs follow.

Whereas, we, the State Committee of the Democratic party of Missouri, are now assembled to take the initial step in the great political contest that is to be waged in this State, and we are now about to call into convention the Democratic hosts to express their choice of a national standard bearer of our party, it is meet and proper that we as the official heads of the party should proclaim "Attention, comrades! all is well."

The administration of national affairs under the leadership of that incomparable statesman, that heroic citizen, that polished scholar, that liberty loving patriot, and fearless defender of humanity and the rights of men, Woodrow Wilson, has never been equaled, much less excelled, in the history of our country.

No man has ever been confronted with as many new delicate and difficult problems for solution, and none has come nearer reaching the correct result than he.

A creative genius in peace, he was a gallant and safe leader in war.

The breaking down of old and obstructive policies, and inauguration of new rules and new ideas have marked his achievements in governmental affairs as to the greatest of the age.

The legislative acts suggested by him and passed by a Democratic Congress in a few years, and more in number, broader in scope, and more beneficial in results than those enacted by the Republican party in half a century.

A man of peace, yet in extremities, he and his associates in the co-ordinate branches of government became men of war.

The successful manner in which he and his associates called men from the field, shops, factories, offices and all walks of life, and in a few months mobilized an army of millions, and prepared and transported across the seas to the battlefields of France more than two millions of our bravest and best sons, who animated by the same love, and devoted to the same cause, won the world war and planted forever in Europe the seeds for popular government, is an achievement not paralleled in the history of the world.

The record of President Wilson and the Democratic Congress will bear

the acid test and meet the approval of the sovereign people.

We are also fortunate in being able to endorse strongly our State administration.

Governor Gardner, upon entrance into office, found our revenue at a low tide, and the State facing a deficit of more than two million dollars. He and his associates in the executive branch of government negotiated a loan to take care of our various unpaid obligations. Within three years this loan has been paid; all current expenses of the State met and we are now upon a cash basis with money in the treasury to meet every necessary and legitimate demand of our State Government. And this has been done without the placing of heavy burdens on the people.

There are many other matters of State to which we could refer, but suffice it to say, that the State administration in all departments has been one of economy, wisdom, justice and progress.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we heartily endorse the administration of President Wilson, and the Democratic Congress, and renew our allegiance to the President in his efforts to secure the approval of the Treaty of Peace and the covenant of the League of Nations.

That we cheerfully recommend and approve the record of Governor Gardner and his associates in State affairs; and upon achievements we open this political contest, confident of victory, and now appeal to every Democrat and fair minded citizens of Missouri, to think and act, and to vote as his conscience and judgment will dictate, and by so doing, a Democratic majority in Missouri is assured.

NEW TURNIPS.—Farmers Supply Co.

Mrs. S. J. Reese visited relatives in Dexter Sunday.

Mrs. Sallie Gaty went to Bertrand Monday to attend to her income tax returns.

A little daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schuppert Friday, January 30th.

S. M. Dailey and Mrs. Courtright left Sunday on a buying trip for the Sikeston Mercantile Co.

The Co-Workers will meet Tuesday afternoon, at the usual hour, at the home of Mrs. Lillie McGee.

Mrs. C. M. Taylor and small son are guests at the home of Mrs. Taylor's mother, Mrs. Nellie Estes.

Miss Daisy Garden left Sunday afternoon for Chicago and St. Louis markets to purchase the latest models in spring millinery.

Frank M. Ducker, a former resident of Sikeston, is reported slowly recovering, in a hospital at Oshkosh, Wisconsin, from a serious attack of pneumonia.

Miss Eva Carter and Miss Golda Fowler departed Sunday for the St. Louis Millinery markets. Miss Vera Walpole has charge of the Elite during their absence.

Miss Erma Ogilvie has resigned her position in the offices of the Scott County Milling Company and returned to Charleston, having accepted a position there with the Charleston Milling Company.

The Washington University Mandolin and Glee Club will appear in Sikeston at an early date, which is as yet undecided. This is the Glee Club's annual tour and Sikeston is one of the few Southeast Missouri towns that is always honored by these delightful entertainers.

Don't fail to hear the Welsh Lady Singers at the Christian Church Friday evening, February 13th. The program is brilliant and high class. The artists are artists of recognized talent with fresh, ringing, youthful voices, so excellently trained that in chorat rendition they sing absolutely as one.

The Friday issue of the Chaffee Signal contained a column and a half article from the Flour-Cereal Union 359 of Sikeston, which goes into lengthy detail of their side of the strike question. It seems rather strange that an article of this sort should appear in an out-of-town publication without at least having first been submitted to the home papers.

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Letter of Resignation to the First Baptist Church.

Sikeston, Mo.,
February 1, 1920.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:

When I first saw the Baptist situation in this community, I thought my pastorate probably ought to stretch over a period of eight or ten years in order to do what I saw ought to be done. The great question with me, however, was, will I have patience to remain that long and will the Church have patience to allow me to remain so long? Patience in both pastor and Church is one of the most fruitful elements of a long and useful pastorate. My ideals have not all been worked out and brought to completion. But while man proposes God disposes. None of us knows what a day may bring forth or what sudden changes may run athwart our plans.

The unexpected death of Mrs. Brite's widowed sister recently, has made me feel the necessity of some changes. The Providence of God permitting in the interest of those who are nearest to us by kinship and who look to us in a measure for counsel and guidance.

While I was weighing these matters of duty to relatives, the Baptist Church of Laramie, Wyoming was seeking a pastor and through a strange providence were led to believe that I was the man to fit into their peculiar situation. Being the seat of the State University, the State Normal School and the State Agricultural College and a division point of the Union Pacific Railroad makes it a strategic point for Christian work for the whole State of Wyoming. It appeals to me as a door of great opportunity in the Lord; and since it seems we can be of some help and comfort to those nearest us, who live in the West; and also offers a possible solution of a vexing problem of education in my own family, for which my financial condition has been entirely inadequate, I have been trying for the last two or three weeks to discover my duty.

It seems to me the Lord is leading into the West, though the path is entirely unknown to me; and I cannot tell what recesses or failures await me. I am trusting Christ. I believe He will lead me on. I am sure Wyoming needs the gospel as much as Missouri and since the field is the world, I am willing to preach the good news of Christ wherever his Providence seems to open to me. If my ministry has been of any value to this Church and community, I am profoundly grateful; and know it was only because you were wise enough and gracious enough to give hearty co-operation to whatever the pastor attempted to do.

With genuine sorrow at the thought of parting; and yet with deepest desire to please Jesus Christ our common Lord in all, I attempt to do, I offer my resignation as pastor, asking that it become effective March 1, 1920. While the Church at Laramie is eager for me to come at once, I feel it is only just to you that you have at least a month to adjust yourselves to new conditions before I leave you.

Praying that Christ may be with you all the days to give you courage in every task, comfort in every sorrow, strength in every weakness, hope in every trying hour; and in the earning time, light as you pass thru the valley of the shadow to the mansions in the Fathers house, I am

Sincerely your friend and brother,
S. P. BRITE.

Ed Green of Blodgett was a business visitor in Sikeston Monday.

Dr. J. A. Milem was in Cape Girardeau Monday to look after his farming interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Matthews and son visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cox.

Judge J. C. Lescher, who is seriously ill with pneumonia, is reported somewhat improved today.

Charles Harrison of Essex visited his mother, Mrs. Susan Harrison Thursday night and Friday.

Miss Louise Marvel and Miss Polly Pink of Bloomfield were guests for the week end of Miss Honora Bailey.

Mrs. Tom Harrison and children of Lilbourn, who have been guests of relatives here returned home Monday.

Mrs. Wylie Martin returned Monday morning from a brief visit in Blytheville, Ark, with her brother, Marion Darter and family.

Guy Lescher of St. Louis and Mr. and Mrs. James Cresap of Gideon were called here by the serious illness of Judge J. C. Lescher.

Miss Mary Gould of Villa Ridge and Miss Erma Lackley of Pulaski, who have been visiting Miss Martha Gould, returned to their homes Monday.

A meeting of the Poland-China breeders of Scott County will be held in Sikeston, Friday February 6th at the Marshall Hotel. All Poland China breeders of each of the other eight counties in the Southeast Missouri district have been invited to attend this meeting, which is the result of letters sent out by Farm Agent A. I. Foard to the breeders to get their opinion on the idea of an organization. Everyone is enthusiastically in favor of the plan and consider it a splendid thing for the breeders and to the district.

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Col. Roosevelt and Quentin.

The end of the hope that all his sons would return came to Colonel Roosevelt one July night at Sagamore Hill. Phil Thompson, the resident correspondent at Oyster Bay, had called to ask about a cable message to the New York Sun from Raymond G. Carroll, one of its men at the front. "I have here," he told him, a cable message to the Sun. The censor has cut it some, so that it is blind. It reads, "Watch Oyster Bay for." Have you any idea what it means?"

"Something has happened to one of the boys," he answered. "It cannot be Ted and it cannot be Archie, for both of them are recovering from wounds. It is not Kermit, for he's not in the danger zone just at the moment. So it must be Quentin. However, we must say nothing of this to his mother tonight."

Confirmation of his fears came early the next morning. The colonel took the blow exactly as one would expect him to take it.

"I must tell his mother," he said. When he returned, a few minutes later, he gave to Thompson the wonderful comment, expressing the joy of Quentin's parents that their boy had had his chance to do his bit before he was called to go.

The next day despite what he must have been suffering, the colonel kept an engagement to speak at the Republican convention in Saratoga.

"It is my duty to go there," he said. To the stranger, Colonel Roosevelt gave no sign of his bitter affliction. Those who knew him best saw, however, that the blow had slowed him down. Not that he paraded his grief—even to them. That grief was a secret, sacred thing—to be exhibited to none.

Not long after, Captain Archie crippled in arm and leg, came home. His coming gave the colonel relief, for the young man was in much better shape than had been anticipated, and the doctors were strong in assurances that his recovery would be nearly complete. When he was well enough to leave the hospital he and the colonel "chummed" about town and Oyster Bay.

"Colonel," I said one day, "Archie is making splendid progress. I just saw him running down the street. He runs as well as any boy. I congratulate you."

"Thank you, Jack," he replied. "The surgeons are working wonders. In the early days of the war he'd have lost arm and leg if not his life. As it is, he's coming around splendidly. "And Ted—I've just had a letter from a regular army officer who says Ted's as good an officer as there is in the regular establishment. He's been made a lieutenant colonel, you know. Isn't that fine? And Kermit's doing well, too."

But the dead boy—the eagle whose fall had hurt him to the heart—he did not mention.—John J. Leary, Jr., in McClure's.

We still have some men's nice dress shirts at \$1.00.—Pinnell Store Co.

Fred Old returned Monday to his home in Commerce after a brief visit in this city.

Brisket Beef 10 cents per pound or three pounds for a quarter. Phone 24—Walpole Packing Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Clodfelter returned Sunday from a visit with relatives in Essex and Huntersville.

Marion Clark has been bound over to the Circuit Court on a charge of obtaining money under false pretense.

Mrs. D. E. Grojean, of Dexter visited from Thursday until Sunday with her daughter, Miss Helen Grojean.

Jas. Matthews, a former resident of Scott County was in Sikeston Saturday enroute to his home in Jackson, Mississippi.

Mrs. Paul Stone and children, who have been with Mrs. S. V. Mitchell for several weeks, returned Sunday to their home in Oran.

H. J. Welsh was called to Oran Friday to embalm the body of Mr. C. P. DePriest, aged 54 years, who died early Friday morning of apoplexy. When Mr. DePriest retired Thursday evening, he seemed in excellent health. During the night his wife was awakened by the unusual struggles he was making and realized he was gasping for breath. Before she could call assistance, he was dead. Funeral services were held Sunday in Oran followed by burial in the City Cemetery.

Miss Honora Bailey entertained at her home Saturday evening in honor of her visitors, Miss Louise Marvel and Miss Polly Fink of Bloomfield. Guests for the evening were Jas. M. Smyth, Lyman Cunningham, Cecil Jones, Pleas Malcolm, Paul Denman, Carl Freeman, Albert Bruton, Fred Allard, Miss Vera Cunningham, Miss Kathryn Jewell, Miss Ruth McCoy, Miss Eva Jones, Miss Martha Gould, Misses Cora and Maggie Matthews, Miss Evelyn Sutton, Miss Hedessa Killough, Miss Helen Kready.

In Sikeston on Wednesday February 11th, the Farm Bureau will conduct a one-day school of instruction in farm accounts. The date was previously scheduled for the 10th, but was changed so as not to conflict with the Isaac Ross & Sons big Poland China Hog Sale, which is to be held in Benton the 10th. All farmers are invited to attend this school of instruction. W. E. Foard of the Farm Management Department of the College of Agriculture at Columbia, will be here to conduct the school. The object of this instruction is to give the farmers a practical demonstration of simple methods of keeping cost accounts of farm operations. This instruction will be of greatest value when it comes to figuring up the income tax. The school will begin at 9:30 a. m. and continue throughout the day. Mr. W. E. Foard is a brother of A. I. Foard, the Scott County Farm Agent.

Running a Newspaper.

Dear folks: Now I know why editors go mad. I ben trying to run this paper while the editor is on his vakashun. For three (3) days and nites I ben reading questions and trying to answer them, and if I don't quit I'll be going around talking to myself.

I am going to answer a few more and go to the ball game.—Jimmy the office boy.

1. What is a limberneck? J. Jones. Limberneck in the country is a strange disease of fowls and chickens. In the city it is a disease of human persons caused by watching fowls—and chickens.

2. Do small cows give condensed milk. Mable B.

No, Mabel, condensed milk is made by trying to get a quart of milk into a pint bottle.

3. Please tell me how hash is made. W. W.

Hash is not made, it accumulates.

4. Is it all right to feed hogs corn in the ear. G. K.

No, put it in a trough and let them help themselves.

5. I am in love with a homely girl who works for us but she don't seem to care fore me, while a pretty girl with lots of money wants to marry me. What shall I do? Will M.

Marry the one you love and send me the name and address of the other one.

6. My hair is beginning to come out. What can I do to keep it in?

Get a sack.

7. Please tell me how to raise a nice fat hog of about 500 pounds. Z.

Get a derrick.

8. How can I tell when the water is the right temperature for bathing a baby? Young Mother.

If the kid gets red and hollers, the water is too hot. If he gets blue and shivers, it's too cold.

9. I am 40 years old and have a nice little farm and am thinking of taking a wife. What would you advise? Old Bach.

I would advise you to be careful about whose wife you took.

10. Our red bull is chasing me around a 40-acre field. What shall I do? Mike F.

I don't know, but don't give up, Mike; the editor will be back in a week.—L. L. LeBram in Success in Farming.

Emory Matthews made a business trip to Oran Friday.

Buy a pair of Crawford shoes. They are good.—Pinnell Store Co.

Try our hot drinks. We have lots of different kinds. Hot chocolate, Tomato Bouillon, Beef Bouillon, Chicken Bouillon, Oyster Bouillon, Clam Bouillon. You will like our hot chocolate.—The Bijou.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Whitener of Marquand have recently closed a deal for the property that for many years belonged to Louis Baker, and expect to move here about the first of March. Mrs. Jake Sitze is a daughter of the Whiteners.

Of Interest To Merchants.

Some oldtime merchants used to say that the "satisfied customer" was the best advertisement and would give them all the new business they wanted. They depended upon this more or less mythical creature to spread information about their store, and believed they could build up a trade as the result of favorable reports given by their customers to their townspeople. The practical result of that style of merchandising was that stores that practiced it stayed in the rut and were mighty lucky to even hold their old trade.

Elmore Peterson of the University of Colorado in addressing the Rocky Mountain Shoe Retailers the other day, warned them not to place dependence upon the "satisfied customer" for their advertising. He said that the satisfied customer is the store's best ad for holding trade, but it is not so for getting new trade. "No merchant can hope to succeed in his business," he said, "if he depends upon his customers to do his advertising for him."

The above quoted speaker might have put it much stronger than that. The fact that a purchaser is pleased with a purchase does not by any means indicate that he will go to that store again next time.

Housewives do not spend time, as they were once reputed to do, in leaning over the back yard fence telling where they bought their brooms and trying to calico dresses. Most people have no idea where their neighbors buy stuff anyway. A purchaser's impulse to go to certain place is largely influenced by two forms of suggestion: First, having seen an advertisement in some recent newspaper telling of something needed at that particular time; second, the cumulative result of constant advertising, creating the impression that a certain merchant is always playing the game and running his business in an enterprising way, likely to attract the public.—Public Opinion, Decorah, Iowa.

Hot Chocolate.—The Arcade.

John Sikes entertained Friday evening with a "bunking party" in celebration of his 13th birthday. Guests for the night were, Billy Keith, Lynn Smith, "Buddy" Matthews and Franklin Moore.

Misses Helen and Mary Thomas, Miss Gretchen Dunaway, Miss Gladys Kendall, Miss Camille Klein, Miss Marie Chaney, Earl Riga and Harry Dudley were guests of Miss Margaret Harris at 12 o'clock dinner Sunday.

Campbell-Anderson Land Company recently sold a large tract of land lying about 4 miles south of Commerce to E. A. Wilmot of Speer, Ill., for \$20,000. Mr. Wilmot is another farmer, who having heard of the richness, the fertility of Scott County soil, came to see for himself.

Kochitzky and Warner of Cape Girardeau have completed their contract on ditch No. 1 in the Little River Drainage District. This ditch was started several years ago and extends from Tallipoosa down into Pemiscot County and is about 150 feet wide. For this particular piece of work, the contractors will receive in the neighborhood of \$33,000.

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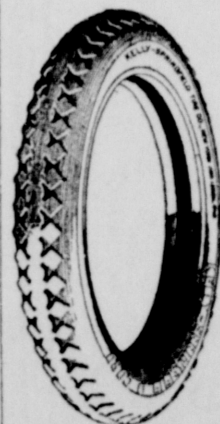
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WHEN THE STORM GODS
SAVED CONSTANTINOPLE

"The Russian pirates have entered the harbor!" was the message that spread terror through the streets of Constantinople early one morning in the year 804. The whole city was soon in a panic, as each citizen hurried to the water front hoping against hope that the report was a hoax. Instead of relief, however, he found confirmation. There in the Golden Horn floated a fleet of "men of war" manned by the ferocious bandit sailors of the North.

The fleet resembled those that in the earliest ages had sailed the Sea of Marmora. For three years it had cruised the Black Sea and now it had succeeded in slipping past the war galleys of the empire. It was composed of some two hundred boats, each built according to the fancy of its commander. The general plan was to use the trunk of a large tree for a keel and on each side of it lash logs, thus giving an almost flat bottomed craft about sixty feet long by twelve feet wide. The oars were made of tree limbs with skins fastened to the ends and the sails were of skins fastened to tree trunks raised upright, often with one or more forks left on them so the fleet resembled a floating, leafless forest. Each "warship" carried a crew of about sixty men.

Such was the appearance of the fleet that had descended out of the wild north to capture the great commercial city of the Byzantine empire. The savage crew carried weapons as fanciful as their ships were in appearance and were clad in skins.

The emperor had known that the fleet was likely to come. It had plundered the empire's Black Sea commerce for years, but never had succeeded in entering the Bosphorus. Now, however, the Byzantine warships were cruising in the Sea of Marmora and the Russian "war vessels" found themselves masters of the harbor with its silk sailed pleasure barges and its merchants ships laden with rich cargoes.

The emperor, who was at his summer palace in the Sea of Marmora, succeeded in reaching the city, after considerable difficulty, only by a neglected stair in an obscure part of the harbor.

But the Russians had failed to consider one point necessary to capture the city. While its fleet was eluded there still remained the bodyguard of the emperor, composed of Danes and Britons armed with axes. To these hardy soldiers the Russians presented only a prospect of a day of amusement in a "sham battle." They laughed and joked about the "floating woods" and dared the Russians to come ashore.

While the Russians were debating the wisdom of facing the huge axes of the city's defenders, storm clouds began to gather. One of the tempests that had so often scattered hostile fleets that threatened Constantinople burst over the city, and when the sky cleared the invaders were glad to escape into the Black Sea with the small portion of their fleet that remained.

This, however, was only the first attempt. Forty years later a larger and better equipped Russian fleet under Ignor sailed into the Bosphorus. It was shattered in a battle in which the Byzantines poured merciless streams of "Greek fire" on the Russians. In 1043 the Russians came again and almost defeated the Byzantine navy. Often the city was threatened by land from savage tribes that came out of the North, but although these soldiers came to the very gates and sometimes entered parts of the city, they never succeeded in capturing it.

The manner in which the desire of the Russians to possess Constantinople was awakened furnishes an interesting story. Constantinople was in trade the rival of Alexandria. About a hundred years before the fleet whose appearance in the Golden Horn caused such consternation came out of the Black Sea the Egyptian city had gathered away from the merchants of Constantinople most of the trade of Asia and Africa. One day a boat made of a single log came into the harbor. It brought skins of the North for trade. Others like it followed and soon the annual visit of the Russians was a mercantile event. The fleets descended the rivers into the Black Sea in the summer and brought skins and slaves to trade for silk and rich goods and wine.

But these visits yearly awakened in the minds of the traders a desire to possess the riches of the great city without the labor of producing something in return. Soon the Russians began to descend on the ships of the merchants as pirates and plunder the coast near the capital. For more than a thousand years thereafter the various pirate tribes to the north of the Black and Caspian seas were as much of a terror to the sailors of Constantinople and the cities along the southern shores of those seas as the pirates

ates of Algiers were to southern Europe in later centuries.—K. C. Star.

THE GAZETTE, SAULT STE.
MARIE, SAYS:

Good House Greeted Royal Welsh Ladies' Choir Thursday Evening

It was a well filled house that greeted Madame Hughes Thomas' Royal Welsh Lady Singers, Thursday, in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. And felt well repaid too, for the opportunity is not often given to music lovers of the Sault to hear such a splendid concert as was put on last evening.

The concert opened when Madame Thomas traced briefly the history of her small but wonderful country. So when the "Battle Song of the Men of Harlech" was rendered by the company of eight singers, the audience was in a most receptive mood for the stirring theme. "The Short Cut," by Misses O'Mara and E. Wilkins was both catchy and pleasing, but probably "Coming Thru the Rye" by Miss Myrtle Chamberlain was the most popular. "Tingleleling" from "High Jinks" was rendered in dainty fashion and was the last number on the first half of the program.

Miss Nelson gave a reading during the interval between the first and second half which was much appreciated. "The Organ Builder," responding to the encore with a funny little thing entitled "When the Hindu Died."

The prison scene from "Il Trovatore" by Misses Morgan Wilkins and the choir, was splendidly done as was also "Will O' the Wisp" by Miss Wilkins. Probably "The Regular Royal Queen," from "Pirates of Penzance" received the most applause, and little wonder, too, the music had a most catchy rhythm and the quartette, Misses Chamberlain, Wilkins, Nelson and Wilkins, had a snappy tuneful manner of rendering the chorus. "Kentucky Babe" by Miss O'Mara and the choir, had all the melancholy sweetness of Southern melodies. The audience might almost feel transported to a Kentucky cabin door, listening to the crooning lullaby of a "mammy and her babe." The last numbers were a chorus. "Day is at last departing," and the Welsh national anthem, completing one of the most successful concerts ever given here. This is the second appearance of the Welsh choir and they have undoubtedly succeeded in establishing a worthwhile reputation in the Sault.

The Royal Welsh Lady Singers will be at the Christian Church in this City, Friday evening, February 13th.

A Woman's Argument For Good Roads.

In a recent campaign for county bonds for better roads a Missouri farm woman gave the following short and concise argument why she was positively for the bond issue and would vote for it if she were given her right to vote as an adult property owner:

"I am for the county issue of road bonds because they mean more folks living on their own farms in the country, more hired help families living in the country, better marketing of farm produce, and a happier farm life."

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Old Sunken Steamer Found

What old river men say is a part of the hull of the steamer Sultana, which sank between Caruthersville and Memphis, in what is known as Mound City Bend, in April, 1865 with a loss of 1,500 lives, has begun to show up out of the ground, according to the Hickman, Ky., Courier.

The boilers of the big steamer exploded at 4 o'clock on an April morning. The Sultana was on her way from Vicksburg to St. Louis with more than 2,000 Union soldiers. She landed at Memphis about midnight and after taking on fuel and supplies left at 2:30 o'clock.

The bulk of the steamer rests near some thick woodland, far across cotton fields from the present river shore. The sandy soil has been washing considerably, say farmers in that locality, and part of the boat's timbers have begun to appear.

The Sultana was considered by old river men to have been an old boat at the time her boilers exploded. Written reports published by men who knew the steamer say her boilers were known to have been bad and she ought not to have been loaded with so many passengers.

Her commander, old river men say, crowded on all the steam possible to make time for his contract to deliver the soldiers at a certain point near St. Louis was limited and he wanted to make good. This, many river men believe, resulted in the explosion of her eight boilers, which tore the steamer apart and caused her to sink in deep water.

The Reason Why.

The brindle cow was wet and cold, for the hay was poor and the barn was old. She glared around at the cold barn floor where the snow swept through the open door.

The little Red Hen had an awful wheeze; her head dropped down when she tried to sneeze. Her frozen comb was a reddish blue, for the little Red Hen was chilled clear through.

Said the little Red Hen, "By a June Bug's wing, I shall go a strike from now till spring."

Said the Brindle cow, "By a load of hay, I shall give no milk if you won't lay."

It is cold and wet and the fierce winds blow, the barn is filled with drifting snow. No eggs are laid and the cow is dry, and the shiftless farmer wonders why.—T. J. Moffitt in Mosby's Message.

See our line of men's and ladies' shoes before you buy.—Pinnell Store Co.

Editorial Sparks.

Variety is the spice of life—especially in a first-class vaudeville show.—Chicago News.

"Whose little girl are you?" Please sir, this month I'm father's.—Boston Transcript.

"How are they selling things at the bazaar?" "Oh, at a fair price."—Baltimore American.

Now that the prohibition amendment to the Constitution is in effect, marriageable girls will be less likely to find drunkards to reform.—Daily Oklahoman.

Wood alcohol is good for one thing, at least. A small bottle of it, kept in plain view on your desk, will keep the life insurance agents from worrying you to death.—Nashville Tennessean.

The reliable Associated Press states that the toasts at the dinner of the national Democratic committee were drunk in Potomac river water. No wonder Colonel Watterson despairs of the party!—Minneapolis Journal.

"I see where an heiress married a waiter." "Dear me!" "Oh, the match isn't so bad. He already has the manners of the fashionable world. It will only be necessary for her to break him of the habit of carrying a napkin on his arm."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Tips For The Home.

Put a few teaspoonfuls of picallilli into the French dressing and see what a delicious salad it makes on plain lettuce leaves.

Baked potatoes with grilled ham is an excellent breakfast dish when haste in the preparation of food is not imperative.

People with a great deal to do or possessors of highly nervous organizations should take a day in bed every fortnight or so.

Sour cream is good for a number of things. Good dressing for cold-slay can be made with it. No better soda biscuits are made than when sour cream is used. Gingerbread is delicious made with sour cream, and many other things too numerous to mention.

HIDES WE BUY ALL KINDS.—WALPOLES MARKET.

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The Old Park Bench.

The old park bench is empty now and shivers in the breezes, he's stripped of paint from stern to bow, no wonder that he freezes. No more he blushes at love scenes, when summer moons are shining; no more he guards the hoboes' dreams as hoboes lie reclining. The moon-sick lovers now are fled, beside the fire they're kissin', the hoboes have a better bad in Moon-ey's Downtown Mission. The peanut shells around his feet have faded with the flowers, the baseball fans no longer meet to while away his hours. No more the sound of picnic glee and spoiled youngsters bawling; bawling; the picnickers for firesides flee as soon as leaves are falling. Old park bench, 'tis a cruel doom that's your thorough-out the winter, I see a look of deepest gloom upon your every splinter.

But spring will soon be here again while you're still hale and hearty, and bring once more the hobo train and romping picnic party.

Ham Sandwiches.—The Arcade.

SANDWICHOLA: —Tuna, Pimiento, Olives in Olive Oil. 'Tt's Good Too.—Farmers Supply Co.
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TWELVE MILLION SPENT ON LINCOLN HIGHWAY IN 1919.

Detroit, Mich.—The year 1919 witnessed the greatest constructive development on the Lincoln highway ever accomplished in a single year. Money spent on the highway in 1919 was about twelve million dollars according to the Lincoln Highway Association headquarters here. This was only about one million dollars short of the total actual expenditures for the five years, 1913-18. In the majority of the eleven states traversed by the route, the total amount aggregating an additional \$2,323,112.59.

In addition to the considerable cost of properly maintaining such a heavily traveled road as the Lincoln highway, 377.33 miles of new permanent work was accomplished on the Lincoln highway during 1919.

The concrete and brick improvement put in on the Lincoln highway during the last year was largely in the eastern states and in California. The nineteen miles of new Lincoln highway completed in New Jersey were all of the highest type of concrete construction.

This section of the Lincoln highway between Philadelphia and New York carries not only the heaviest traffic of any section of the transcontinental road, but also what is said to be the heaviest traffic on any road in America. As an instance of this density of traffic, a careful census made on the Lincoln highway bridge over the Passaic River west of Jersey City last spring by the county officials showed the passage of eleven thousand vehicles in a period of fifteen hours. Small wonder that the old macadam which constituted the Lincoln highway in New Jersey went rapidly to pieces. The Pennsylvania section of the Lincoln highway comprising the main traveled road between Pittsburgh and Philadelphia and other eastern points carries a volume as heavy as the New Jersey section.

This famous route through the wonderful scenery of the Alleghenies constructed for years of the highest grade of macadam was largely torn to pieces by the tremendous volume of motor truck traffic it carried during the war when it was used as a government transport route. The excessive cost of yearly maintenance work has caused the Pennsylvania state highway department to undertake the gradual reconstruction of the entire road of concrete and over nineteen miles were completed in 1919.

Ohio, for the Lincoln highway in 1919, completed fifty-six and one-half miles of new concrete brick and bituminous macadam. Indiana completed twenty-one miles of new concrete, and Illinois thirty-five. The few remaining gaps of unimprovement on the Lincoln highway in these states will be taken care of during 1920, with a result that the end of the year will see a completed permanent all-weather road from Times Square, New York City, to the Mississippi River, providing the shortest, best and most direct route between New York and Chicago.

West of the Mississippi, during the past year fundamental difficulties have been removed in several states and a safe and open route in line for rapid betterment opened from the Mississippi to San Francisco Bay. With the exception of California, Iowa is the one state west of the Mississippi through which the Lincoln highway passes which is fully capable of itself financing the adequate and permanent completion of the road. Antiquated legislation which was the main barrier to proper highway improvement in Iowa was superseded by a new law during the past year which will enable the prompt permanent construction of all of the important main line roads including the Lincoln way, which was established as one of the state highways. More than twenty-two miles of new permanent grade was established on the Lincoln highway in Iowa and more than twelve miles of it graveled for the temporary accommodation of travel. The trans-Iowa road now, as in the past, is a boulevard in dry weather, but should not yet be attempted while wet. Concrete construction in Iowa is planned in many counties for 1920.

The highway improvement problem in Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah and Nevada is much the same which to a greater or lesser degree confronts the majority of the states between the

Missouri river and the Sierras—a problem which can never be properly solved except by direct action from the federal government and the ultimate laying out and construction of an American highway system by a federal authority and with funds from the United States treasury.

In proportion to population, the West is doing more to better highway conditions than is the East. Nebraska's improvement problem on the Lincoln highway is much the same as that of Iowa, with the exception that Nebraska has a greater mileage of roads and a much smaller population.

The route of the Lincoln highway was recently constituted a part of the Nebraska state primary system of roads, and was taken over January 1, 1920, by the state, which will hereafter be responsible for maintenance as well as reconstruction. Sixty-three miles of new permanent grading was accomplished on the Lincoln highway in Nebraska in 1919, and, in addition, the financing of the complete construction of the route across Douglas County, in which Omaha is located, was accomplished and a start made toward this work, which will be completed in 1920. Dodge County also financed the construction of seven miles of concrete, and will start the work early in the spring.

Wyoming is very progressive, and has every year spent a larger per capita amount upon the improvement of the Lincoln highway than any other state traversed. Wyoming recently passed a 3 million dollar bond issue, and is undertaking as rapidly as possible to bring about the construction of the Lincoln highway from Cheyenne to Evanston and the Yellowstone trail leading from the capital to the Yellowstone National Park, these two roads being the most important in the state. Twenty-two miles of new gravel work was accomplished on the Lincoln highway between Cheyenne and Laramie in 1919.

Nevada, in 1919, received aid amounting to \$125,000. These funds were contributed by W. C. Durant in behalf of the General Motors Company and John N. Willys, president of the Willys-Overland Company, and director of the Lincoln Highway Association. Contracts were entered into in 1919 between the state of Nevada and the Lincoln Highway Association calling for the expenditure of more than \$425,000 of combined state, county and federal funds in 1920. In 1919 Nevada completed twenty-two

miles of new Lincoln highway. It is notable that five miles of this was high grade concrete on the road between Reno and the capitol at Carson City.

Federal aid is not the real solution of the highway problem of such vast and sparsely populated states as Nevada, for it merely provides for the doubling of the available state funds as far from adequate as in many such western state, even doubling them does not begin to provide for the needed work. The Lincoln highway in Nevada for nearly five hundred miles across the state is the most important road in the West, being part of the main line of through traffic between Salt Lake City and the Pacific. The Trans-Nevada Lincoln highway is of far greater importance to the nation than it is to the comparatively few residents of Nevada.

Through the long efforts of the Lincoln Highway Association, an open route, and to the greater extent a good route, has been provided across the state of Utah. With the co-operation of the state highway department and through the contribution of \$25,000 by Carl G. Fisher, vice-president of the association, and \$100,000 by F. A. Seiberling, president of the Lincoln Highway Association and the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company of Akron, O., a necessary mountain pass has been opened and a cut-off constructed across the great American desert, which opens the route from Salt Lake City to Pacific Coast points. The work of constructing the desert cut-off and the Fisher Pass road in Western Utah and begun in 1918, but was not quiet brought to completion at the end of the 1919 season. Eleven miles of graveling still remained to be accomplished on the Goodyear cut-off. This will be done early in 1920.

Utah bears the distinction of spending the largest per capita amount for highways generally of any state in the union, this figure amounting to in the neighborhood of \$22 per capita. The state during 1919 completed 82.5 miles on the Lincoln highway.

The Lincoln highway has long been a boulevard from Lake Tahoe at the Nevada-California line to San Francisco Bay at Oakland, and it has been merely a question of time for the completion of the entire route in concrete. More than fourteen miles of new concrete were built on the Lincoln highway in California in 1919; this type of permanent improvement now extending all the way from Oakland to some miles east of Placerville. The state passed a 40-million-dollar bond issue in 1919 to complete the state wide system of permanent concrete roads.

The total mileage of Lincoln highway is 3,323, and at the end of 1919 there were 2,538 miles improved.

Something less than one thousand miles of Lincoln highway still remains to be properly improved to an adequate standard. —Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Roumania Receives American Tractors And Autos.

According to a recent report from the American Agent at Bucharest, Roumania, received by the Ford Motor Company's foreign department, New York City, a consignment of 200 Ford motor cars and 180 Fordson tractors was amongst "the first since the end of the war, and may be considered as one of the most important, because of the part they will play in the reconstruction of battle-scarred, hungry Roumania.

Speaking of the arrival of the tractors, the report said: "The 'Fordson' Autotractor, though completely unknown in Roumania, obtained a very large success at its first demonstrations which were followed with the greatest interest by a large number of farmers, on account of its remarkable qualities and of the services it can do in this country where the work animals have been destroyed by the enemy invasion during the war.

"More than three quarters of the stock arrived has already been sold and is employed all over the country to the delight of the Roumanian farmers who are seeing here a great future for the autotractor.

Reporting on the sale of the motor cars, the trade agent says: "The 'Ford' Automobiles were sold immediately on their arrival and the Noel Company is waiting very anxiously a second consignment of 120 machines which have been ordered at the 'Ford' Manufactory and which, for the greatest part, are already reserved by their customers."

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The provision that discharged service men are permitted to reinstate at any time within three calendar months following the month of discharge by merely paying the two months' premiums, without making a formal application or a statement as to health is also still in force.

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How differently things were ordered in those dear Roosevelt days! Wilson has had two Secretaries of State and Roosevelt had only three, comments the New York World in a recent editorial. Wilson has had one Secretary of the Navy and Roosevelt had only six. Wilson has had one Secretary of the Interior and Roosevelt had only two. Wilson has had two Secretaries of War and Roosevelt had only three.

Wilson has had one Postmaster General and Roosevelt had only five. Wilson has had as many Attorneys General as Roosevelt, and two Secretaries of the Treasury to Roosevelt's three.

During the Roosevelt Administration there were nine departments of Government and twenty-nine more or less distinguished statesmen wandered in and out of the Cabinet, and only one of them managed to survive both of the Roosevelt Administrations. But it is the Wilson Cabinet, of course, that is "a Cabinet of changes."

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